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Of the Ancient Order and Self-denying Principles of the Church, as taught by the Savior and held forth by the Fathers of our Fraternity.

"I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE." St. John 14:6.

"Thus saith the Lord, 'Stand ye in the ways and see, and ask for the Old Paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls.' "

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A PRAYER FOR THE YEAR THAT IS NEAR

Dear Master, for this coming year,
Just one request I bring.
I do not pray for happiness
Or any earthly thing;

I do not ask to understand
The way Thou leadest me;
But this I ask — teach me to do
The thing that pleaseth Thee.

I want to know thy guiding voice,
To walk with Thee each day.
Dear Master, make me swift to hear
And ready to obey;

And thus the year I now begin
A happy year will be,
If I am seeking just to do
The thing that pleaseth Thee.

Sel. by George R. Flora
Brookville, Ohio

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THERE'S A REASON

For ev'ry pain, that we must bear,
For ev'ry burden, ev'ry care,
There's a Reason.

For ev'ry grief, that bows the head,
For ev'ry teardrop that is shed,
There's a Reason.

And if we trust God, as we should,
It all will work out for our good,
He knows the Reason.

Sel. by Lydia Miller, Waverly, Kan.

"God will mend even a broken heart if we give Him all the pieces."

OBITUARIES

BOWMAN — Janet Rose, the daughter and fourth child of Bro. Ezra L. and Sister Susie (Boone) Bowman, was born in Roanoke, Virginia, on March 15, 1963. She passed away on June 30, 1987, at the age of 24 years.

Preceding her in death were Gail Areda, a sister, who died in infancy; and a grandmother, Sister Susie (Beckner) Bowman. Remaining to cherish the memories of her life are her parents; 3 sisters and a brother-in-law, Linda L. Bowman, Gladys K. Bowman, and Gloria and James W. Sisco; 2 brothers and a sister-in-law, Billy and Lisa (Bower) Bowman, and Ben Bowman; her grandparents, Bro. and Sister Cline and Maggie Boone, and Bro. Roy Bowman; a special friend, Bro. Joey Jones (engaged to be her future bridegroom); 2 nieces; 2 nephews; and many friends and acquaintances.

She was baptized on July 6, 1979, into the Old German Baptist Church to which she remained faithful. In our opinion, due to circumstances beyond her control, she condemned herself unjustly and struggled intensely for inner peace, contentment, and happiness. At the same time, she gave unselfishly of her love, encouragement, and kindness to her family, friends and acquaintances, not wanting to be a burden to others.

She enjoyed singing and painting. Love for the Lord was evident in her heart and daily life. She lived as she sincerely believed God was guiding her. She left this world a legacy of good will and love for humankind. It will be glorious to join our Gail Areda and Janet in Heaven. We leave her in the hands of a just and merciful God who doeth all things well. "Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live" (John 11:25).

She will be remembered for her constant smile, tender heart, meekness, humility, thoughtfulness, concern for others, and dedication to her Heavenly Father.

A brief service was conducted at Lynch Funeral Home and continued at the Oak Hill meetinghouse by the home brethren with a large, overflowing crowd attending. Scriptures used were Ps. 23, and Luke 10:27, "And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, . . and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself." Hymns used were 378 in the opening service, 392 and 393, selected by the family, in the main service, with 404 and 246 at the graveside. Burial was in the Church cemetery.

The Family

HEFFLEY — Marian M., was born to William L. and Elizabeth (Gipe) Knepper on May 12, 1913, in Guilford Twp., Franklin Co., Pennsylvania. She passed from this life at the Mt. Hope Dunkard Brethren Home, near Manheim, Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania, on Oct. 10, 1987, at the age of 74 years, 4 months, and 28 days.

Early in life she was baptized into the Old German Baptist Brethren Church. Ten years ago she united with the Dunkard Brethren.

In March, 1943, she was united in marriage with Bro. Jacob J. Heffley. To this union was born 1 son. Her companion passed from this life April 4, 1969. Also preceding her in death was a stepson, Bro. Paul W. Heffley on Dec. 20, 1983.

She is survived by a son, Samuel; a stepson, Luke W. Heffley; 2 stepdaughters, Miriam, wife of Clarence Wingert and Sister Rhoda W. Heffley; 3 grandchildren; 12 stepgrandchildren; and 10 stepgreat-grandchildren; 3 sisters, Nora, wife of Joseph Myers, Vera Hawbaker, and Helen, wife of Jason U. Longenecker; and 2 brothers, Jay and William.

Services were held at the Lancaster meetinghouse on Oct. 13, at 10:30 a.m., by

THERE'S A REASON

For every pain that we must bear,
For every sorrow we may share,
There's a Reason.

For every grief that bows the head,
For every tearstop that is shed,
There's a Reason.

And it is sure God, in His mercy,
Has a plan for you and me,
He knows the Reason.

Poem by Linda Stone, Waverly, Kan.

"The soul never puts a period where God places a comma."

OBITUARIES

BOTTMAN — Carol Ann, the daughter and fourth child of Rev. Leon H. and Elsie Gene (Brown) Bottman, was born in Glenside, Virginia, on March 16, 1960. She passed away on June 27, 1985, at the age of 25 years, 3 months, and 11 days.

Preceding her in death were two brothers, a sister, who died in infancy, and grandfather, Glenn Dale (Buster) Brown. Surviving to cherish the memories of her are her parents, 3 sisters, and 4 brothers-in-law, Linda L. Bowman, Dahlia M. Thomas, and Lois and Joyce M. Joyce 2 for Lois and a sister, Judy and Lisa Bottman; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Dale Brown; paternal grandparents, Rev. and Sister Clive and Myrtle Bottman; and numerous a special friend, Jim Ann Gray. Services to be Rev. Rodgerson, 2 sisters, 2 nephews, and many friends and acquaintances.

Carol received Jesus Christ as her Savior at the Glenview Baptist Church in early childhood. In our opinion, due to circumstances beyond her control, she was denied normal maturity and struggled to identify for many years, unsuccessfully and unnecessarily. At the same time, she was a delight to her home, accomplishing and obedient to her family, friends and acquaintances, not wanting to be a burden to others.

She enjoyed singing and playing. Love for her Lord was evident in her heart and daily life. She lived as she sincerely believed God was pleasing her. In this world's system of good will she lived for approval. If

the undersigned assisted by Elder Allen B. Eberly of the Dunkard Brethren Church. Scriptures used were Matt. 6:19-34 and 1 Cor. 15:53-58. Hymns used were 384, 491, and 483. Burial took place in the adjoining cemetery by the side of her companion, to await the resurrection morn.

Robert A. Matthews, Jr.

ECKER — Lowell L., was born to Clarence J. and Ella J. (Klein) Ecker near Libertytown, Maryland, on Dec. 25, 1899.

In 1934, he moved to Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania, to work at the Neffsville Brethren Home where his uncle, Tom Ecker, was steward. Here he met his lifelong companion, Mary Spickler. They were united in marriage in April, 1937. This union was blest with 2 children. They lived on a farm near Neffsville, and often attended meetings, over the years, in the Lancaster and Beaver Dam districts.

He passed from this life in the Lancaster General Hospital on Nov. 10, 1987, where he had been admitted, after becoming ill the previous day. The passing of time brought his age to 87 years, 10 months, and 15 days.

He is survived by his companion; a son, David L.; and a daughter, Jeanette Arment; 8 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Bro. Owen E.

Funeral services were held at the Buch Funeral Home, Manheim, Pennsylvania, Nov. 13, 1987, by Church of the Brethren ministers Robert O. Hess and Glenn M. Faus. Services were concluded at the grave by the undersigned. Burial took place in the Chiques Church of the Brethren cemetery, Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania.

Robert A. Matthews, Jr.

RULE — Hazel Marie, daughter of Elzy Otto and Elsie May (Welker) Butler, was born Aug. 16, 1916, at Roscombe, Ontario, Canada. She departed this life Nov. 11, 1987, at the age of 71 years, 2 months, and 26 days.

Hazel was united in marriage to Clarence John Rule on Dec. 24, 1932.

On Aug. 4, 1936, she and Dad were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, to which they remained faithful till death.

Mother leaves to mourn her departure, her daughter, Sister Phyllis M. Garber, her son, Claredon B. Rule and their companions; 7 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; 1 brother, Ray Butler, and his companion; 1 brother-in-law, Lloyd Rule, 1 sister-in-law, Bessie Meader, and their companions; and a host of relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband; her parents; 1 half brother; and 1 half sister.

Mother was raised in her early life by her Uncle Irvin and Aunt Rosella Butler before spending 55 years in the Rossville, Indiana, area on the farm with her husband and children. In the last few years her health had been slowly failing until time of death.

Her love and affection was shared with family and friends.

Funeral services were conducted by the home brethren at the Brown Funeral Home and the North Fork meetinghouse on Nov. 14, at 10:00 a.m. The text was taken from Prov. 31 and Rev. 21 and 22. Hymns used were 116, 385, 359, and 455. Burial was in the Middle Fork Cemetery.

May our loss be her eternal gain.

The Family

SELBY — Lloyd Eben, son of Frank and Maude (Garber) Selby, was born Sept. 2, 1920, at Modesto, California, and departed this life at the Tuolumne General Hospital, Sonora, California, Nov. 22, 1987. His sojourn on earth was 67 years, 2 months, and 20 days.

In his early life he lost the guiding influence of a father. Living near his grandparents on a farm west of Modesto, Daddy learned the occupation he most enjoyed. He continued farming until moving to the Sierra-Nevada Mountains, near Twain Harte.

Hearing the call of the Savior, Nov. 1938, Daddy made his covenant with Christ and was baptized into the old German Baptist Brethren Church. He lived faithful to his vows, leaving us the example of the pilgrim, who through faith looked for a city whose builder and maker is God.

Oct. 27, 1946, he was united in marriage with Clara Elizabeth Wray. To this union were born 6 children. Preceding him in death were 1 son, Paul Robert at the tender age of 16, in 1968; and 2 grandchildren, Jamin Eric Fisher, at birth in 1976, and Joel Eben Selby in 1985.

Our early family years were spent close to

Dad's home place on Shackleford Rd., and later, at the end of Sisk Rd., near Salida. These years were happy times, mingled with bits of sorrow and some of struggle, yet continue to afford us the fond memories of our loving daddy and husband. In the summer of 1966, we moved to the vicinity of Twain Harte. Here, working in the construction trades, he made many new friends and was neighbor to all. One of his greatest earthly pleasures was sharing his bountiful garden with others.

In 1981, before surgery, he requested the anointing, from which he received much comfort and strength.

In 1982, Dad entered the valley of the shadow and nearly passed from this life from bleeding and a blood clot on the brain. He again was restored to health, and though often patiently suffering from the effects of injury, his thoughts were more of others, spreading love and cheer. Once again, on Nov. 7, 1987, after an eventful day, he suffered a massive cerebral hemorrhage from which he never recovered. His last days were spent in a coma, lingering on the brink, until the final call of the Master. All the children were present as his spirit took its flight homeward.

Daddy had a special love and concern for his children and grandchildren, being the example of a tender, caring shepherd. His deep faith in God and love for the Church will be missed by all who knew him.

He is survived by his loving companion; 4 sons and their wives, Douglas and Martha, Curtis and Betty, Benjamin and Joanne, and Timothy and Barbara; 1 daughter and her husband, Cynthia and Donald Fisher; 16 grandchildren; 2 sisters, Vera Wray, and Evelyn Peters and her husband, Raymond; 3 brothers and their companions, Melvin and Ruth, Elmer and Leona, and Roy and Dorothy; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted Nov. 25, at 10:00 a.m., in the Sierra Pines meetinghouse by Elder Howard Oyler, Elder Norman Boyd, and Bro. Ronald Miller. Comforting and assuring words were given from God's Holy Word, reminding us that what is planted, shall rise again. "It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption . . ."; Spring is coming. At 2:30 p.m., a short service was conducted by Bro. Dennis Wray and a viewing was held at the graveside to a large sympathizing crowd. His body was laid to rest in the Wood Colony Cemetery, only to wait until our Lord should come to gather His children home. We believe that our loss is his eternal gain.

The Family

FERGUSON — Frances, daughter of John and Anne (Campbell) Ginn, was born Nov. 13, 1904. After months of patient suffering she left this earth for her "Better Home" in the early morning of Monday, Dec. 7, 1987, at Heathergreene Nursing Home, in Jamestown, Ohio, at the age of 83 years and 24 days.

On March 19, 1927, she was united in marriage with Horace E. Ferguson and this union was blessed with one daughter.

For a number of years she taught at the Kennedy School for the Deaf, in Dayton. Frances was also quite active in 4-H Club work and for a number of years enjoyed working with the Grange.

In Oct., 1975, she with her husband were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church in the Bear Creek district where they have been much loved and appreciated.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Mabel Conner; and a great-grandchild.

Those who will miss her most are her loving husband, Horace; her daughter, Mrs. Robert (Doris) Rhodes; 3 grandchildren, Dennis Rhodes, Barbara Simpson, and Kathleen Mathews; and 3 great-grandchildren, Johnathan Rhodes, Natalie and Gerald Mathews.

Her sweet disposition of patience and loving kindness will be missed by the Church she loved and by whom she was loved but we are assured that our loss is all gain for her.

Funeral services were held from the Neeld Funeral Home in Xenia, Ohio, on Wednesday, Dec. 11, by the undersigned and Elder Kenneth Miller. Hymns used were 455 and 403 with the text being taken from 1 Cor. 15 — "Victory."

Burial was in the Jamestown Cemetery following graveside services by Bro. Michael Miller.

We wait in hope on the promise given — We will meet up there in our Home in Heaven.

J. William Miller

Lord's home place on Shackleford Hill, and later, at the site of Oak Hill, near Salida. These years were happy times, mingled with hard of sorrow and trouble of struggle, yet continue to affect us the fond memories of our loving daddy and husband. In the summer of 1895, we moved to the vicinity of Twain Horse. Here, working in the construction trades, he made many new friends and was neighbor to all. One of his greatest earthly pleasures was sharing his beautiful garden with others.

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The Family

FERGUSON — Frances, daughter of John and Anne Campbell Cline, was born Nov. 13, 1904. After months of patient suffering she left this earth for her "Better Home" in the early morning of Monday, Oct. 7, 1935, at Hartingtowne Nursing Home, in Jamestown, Ohio, at the age of 63 years and 24 days.

On March 19, 1927, she was united in marriage with Horace E. Ferguson and this union was blessed with one daughter.

For a number of years she taught at the Kennedy School for the Deaf, in Dayton. Frances was also quite active in 4-H Club work and for a number of years enjoyed working with the Grange.

In Oct. 1875, she with her husband were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church in the Deer Creek district where they have been much loved and appreciated.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, Mabel Cooper, and a great grandchild.

Those who will miss her most are her loving husband, Horace; her daughter, Mrs. Robert (Doris) Rhodes; 3 grandchildren, Donald Rhodes, Barbara Gingham, and Kathleen Mathews; and 3 great grandchildren, Johnathan Rhodes, Nabbie and Gerald Mathews.

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Funeral services were held from the Neale Funeral Home in Xenia, Ohio, on Wednesday, Oct. 11, by the undersigned and Elder Kenneth Miller. Hymns used were 435 and 403 with the text being taken from 1 Cor 15 — "Victory."

Burial was in the Jamestown Cemetery following graveside services by Bro. Michael Miller.

We wait in hope on the promise given — We will meet up there in our Homes. Herman.

J. William Miller

HAVE YOU MADE YOUR RESERVATION?

Often trips and great occasions
Require a reservation,
And every invitation asks for your reply.
When you feel the Spirit calling
It's time to give your answer
To the Savior's invitation
For a journey to the sky.

Have you made your reservation
For a place to spend forever;
A happy ever after
'Cause you know you can't stay here?
Jesus thought of you on Calvary,
Sent a special invitation.
Hurry make your reservation
For the time is drawing near.

The Father planned a wedding supper
For the bridegroom and the bride.
When the roll is called up yonder;
You'll be so glad you came.
Soon the guests will all be seated,
All the saints are standing by,
And a place at the table
Waits for you in Jesus' name.

Sel. by Sharon Fisher, Lewisburg, Ohio

MY PRAYER

This is a prayer that I need to pray
To our God in Heaven, each and every day.
"Help me to bridle my unruly tongue
So I'll not speak unkindly of anyone.
Help me instead to pray for them,
Because my faults, by Thee are known.
Help me dear Lord, to lend a helping hand
To the fallen ones, so they again can stand.
Help my light to so shine before men,
So they may glorify Thee, our Father in Heaven.
Give me strength and patience and love,
To help me onward to that Home above.
And then, dear Lord, help me to always forgive,
And be more Christ-like, and in Him live."

— Sharon Gross, Bradford, Ohio

THE FRIEND WHO STANDS BY

When troubles come your soul to try,
You love the friend who just stands by.
Perhaps there's nothing he can do;
The things are strictly up to you,
For there are troubles all your own,
And paths the soul must tread alone;
Times when love can't smooth the road,
Nor friendship lift the heavy load.
But just to feel you have a friend,
Who will stand by until the end;
Whose sympathy through all endures,
Whose warm handclasp is always yours.
It helps somewhat to pull you through,
Although there's nothing he can do;
And so with fervent heart we cry,
"God bless the friend who just stands by."

Sel. by Betty Eichman, Garnett, Kan.

SOMEWHERE

Somewhere in the fiercest storm . . .
We find the winds are calm;
Somewhere on a painful bed . . .
We find a healing balm.

Somewhere in the darkest night . . .
We find a candle glows;
Somewhere in a rushing stream . . .
We find it smoothly flows.

Somewhere in the blackest cloud . . .
We find a silver line;
Somewhere in our busy lives . . .
We find some unused time.

Somewhere all our grief and woes . . .
Will swiftly pass away;
Oh the joy that burns within . . .
If we can truly say . . .

Sorrows are a steppingstone
Toward our Eternal Goal,
Where we will reign forever
With Him who blessed our soul!

— Tom and Betty Eller, Cleveland, Ga.

OBITUARIES

FLORA — Bertha Marie, daughter of Frank and Ida (Kendall) Lowe, was born Feb. 18, 1897, near Burrows, Indiana. She departed this life at 6:00 a.m., Tuesday morning, Aug. 25, 1987, at the home of a son, Fred F. Flora, making her sojourn here 90 years, 6 months, and 7 days.

She was united in marriage with Lloyd C. Flora, Feb. 6, 1916. They lived in the vicinity of Flora, Indiana, most of their married life.

In the fall of 1923, mother with her companion were baptized into the fellowship of the Old Brethren German Baptist Church, where her husband was called to the Ministry 6 months later.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Dec. 1, 1970; 2 sons, Clyde M. and Calvin F.; 2 sons-in-law, Raymond Flory and Benjamin Lavy; 1 brother, Fred Lowe; 1 sister, Agnes Lowe; and 3 great-grandchildren.

Survivers include 2 sons, Fred F., and his companion, and Lloyd I., and his companion; 2 daughters, Venna Flory, and Audrey Lavy; a daughter-in-law, Ruth Flora; 29 grandchildren; 72 great-grandchildren; and 7 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Aug. 27, at the Old Brethren German Baptist church by the home brethren. Burial was made in the Musselman Cemetery.

The Family

GOLL — Delbert R., son of John and Nora (Binkley) Goll, was born May 19, 1903, in Montgomery Co., Ohio. On Jan. 1, 1925, he was united in marriage with Alice Haacke. They enjoyed over 60 years together until separated by Alice's death in Dec., 1985.

He was a retired government employee. He had been active in a charitable organization until just prior to his death. For the last several years he made his home in Friendship Village retirement center. There he kept busy doing small appliance repair for others. He also crocheted a number of afghans which he gave as a labor of love to relatives and friends.

He was baptized into the German Baptist fellowship on Jan. 15, 1982, and lived a faithful and dedicated life. He called for and received the anointing service on Nov. 6, 1987. He departed this life suddenly in the early morning hours of Dec. 10, 1987, at the age of 84 years, 6 months, and 21 days.

Preceding him in death were his companion; his parents; and 1 brother, Gilbert. He leaves to mourn his departure several cousins, and nieces and nephews by marriage. Because of her endearing attention, a niece, Janet Patterson had a special place in the heart of our loved one. To know him was to love him.

Funeral services were held Dec. 14, at the Gilbert Funeral Home in Brookville, and at the Stillwater meetinghouse. Services were conducted by the home brethren assisted by Elder John Layman. Scriptures used were Ps. 23, 90, 121, and Acts 13:14-23. Hymns chosen were 409, 421, 459, and 457. The burial was in Glen Haven Memorial Gardens to await the call to meet the Lord in the air.

Eldon Denlinger

BOWERS — Gerald (Jerry) Lynn, was born on Oct. 25, 1968, in Canton, Ohio, to Bro. Robert W. and Sister Ruth E. (Cook) Bowers.

On March 29, 1987, he accepted the call and was baptized into the fellowship of the Old German Baptist Church, to which he lived faithful until death.

Jerry was united in marriage on June 20, 1987, with Sister Julia T. Price, and they enjoyed almost 6 months of happy married life together. One of their most present and precious ambitions was to get a home started, where together they could raise a family. They both loved children and often took care of nephews, nieces, and others.

He was employed at Rockwood, Inc., at Goshen, for the past year. On Dec. 15, 1987, a very stormy day, after returning home from work, he went to help a fellow worker to clear away a tree which had blown down across his driveway. The tree had caught in high tension wires, which he accidently touched, snuffing out life in a moment. Emergency help was summoned immediately, but all the efforts, with love, care and prayer were futile in trying to recall that which God had taken. He passed away at the age of 19 years, 1 month, and 20 days.

He leaves to mourn his departure his loving companion; his parents; 2 brothers, Dennis and his wife, Treva, and Bro. Roger and his wife, Sister Valerie; 1 sister, Beverly; 2 nephews; 4 nieces; his parents-in-law, Roger and Roberta Price; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Jerry was a very loving person and will be sorely missed, but we sorrow not as those who have no hope, and trust our loss is his eternal gain.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, Dec. 18, in the Eel River meetinghouse by the home brethren. The text was, "Be ye also ready." He was buried in the cemetery by the church, there to await the resurrection morn.

His Family

GARBER — Harry B., was born Sept. 22, 1893, in Franklin Co., Pennsylvania, the son of Mahlon and Emma (Benedict) Garber. In

1917, he was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church in the Falling Spring congregation. In 1918, he was called from home and served time in Camp because of his nonresistant convictions.

On Dec. 2, 1919, he was united in marriage with Sarah Myers, and together they raised a family of 2 sons and 1 daughter, providing for them by the occupation of farming and marketing. In his later years, he called for the anointing service on two different occasions, which seemed to comfort and strengthen him. In Sept. 1982, he fell and broke his hip, after which he was never able to walk again.

He and his companion spent the last 7 years at the Piney Mountain Home for the aged, where he passed from time to eternity Dec. 17, 1987, at the age of 94 years, 2 months, and 25 days.

He lived a long and useful life and we feel that he will enjoy that "rest that remaineth for the people of God."

He is survived by his companion, Sister Sarah; 2 sons, Joe M. Garber and Bro. Ralph F. Garber; 1 daughter, Sister Gladys Bowman; 10 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and 1 brother, Bro. Dennis Garber.

Funeral services were held Dec. 21, at the Falling Spring meetinghouse by the home brethren. His body was laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery to await the resurrection morning.

Donald L. Hess

SKILES — Sister Elma O., daughter of the late Levi and Nancy (Faw) Sides, was born near Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on May 14, 1896, and passed away Dec. 18, 1987, at the home of her youngest son in Laveen, Arizona. Her span of life was 91 years, 7 months, and 4 days.

She was baptized at an early age near her home, in the stream which powered her father's mill. She remained faithful to her church, the Old German Baptist Brethren until called away to her eternal home.

Sister Elma was married to Bro. Joseph D. Skiles on Dec. 24, 1918, who passed away in Aug. 1983. She labored faithfully with her companion in the Deacon's office from 1928 to 1935, when they were called to the Ministry and then to the Eldership in 1943. Her concern for helping others — members, neighbors, and those in the local area, shall always be remembered by all who were acquainted with her. She was a tireless worker with her children and on the farm where she resided with her husband near Lapel, Indiana. After his passing and with her health declining, she lived with some of her children in Indiana, Pennsylvania, and Arizona. She was the last survivor of her immediate family.

Surviving are her children, Willis, Joseph, Dorothy Flora, Mary Marie Ginder, and Sister Genevieve Lesher; 21 grandchildren; 44 great-grandchildren; and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband; a daughter, Sister Mildred Filbrun; 1 grandson; and 3 great-grandchildren.

She will be remembered by those of this district for her concern for others. She was always willing to help whenever or wherever needed, while health permitted.

A short service was held Dec. 22, at the Bright Chapel in Pendleton, at 10:15 a.m. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m., at the Beech Grove church by the home brethren. The text used was from John 11:25,26. Hymns used were 396, 452, 393, and 434. Her body was laid to rest in the Grove Lawn Cemetery, just north of Pendleton, there to await the resurrection of the just.

Willis P. Benedict

FRANTZ — Ethel E., daughter of Levi and Emma (Wray) Renicker, was born in Jasper Co., Indiana, May 20, 1897. After several years of declining health, she answered the Master's call and peacefully went to sleep on Sunday morning, Dec. 20, 1987. Her sojourn on earth was 90 years, and 7 months.

On Dec. 17, 1916, she was united in marriage with Jacob Frantz, who preceded her in death, Oct. 30, 1985.

She and her companion were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church on May 20, 1917, to which faith she held firmly until death. On Aug. 6, 1925, she and her companion were elected to the Ministry, and they were ordained to the Eldership on Feb. 7, 1946.

In Sept., 1978, with their failing health, Mother and Dad entered Miller's Merry Manor of Warsaw, Indiana, where they spent their remaining days. Before entering the Home, she received the anointing.

Mother will be remembered for her kind, gentle way and for always being there.

Surviving her are 3 sons, Paul, Robert and his wife, Esther, Bro. Leon and his wife, Sister Opal; 1 daughter, Sister Helen Fingerle and her husband, Bro. Chester; 12 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; 4 great-great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Sister Mabel Brubaker; and many other relatives and friends. Preceding her in death was 1 great-great-grandchild.

We trust our loss will be her eternal gain.

Funeral services were conducted Dec. 22, in the North Manchester meetinghouse by Elders Orvel Gish and Carl Strike. The text used was 1 Peter 3:4, "even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price." The virtues of holy women of the Bible were expounded to us, reminding us how we should live. Hymns 483, 392, and 384 were used at the church, and hymns 459, 393, 455, and 403 at the grave.

Burial took place in the church cemetery by the side of her companion, to await the resurrection morn.

The Family

FLORA — Hazel Elizabeth, was born in Grass Creek, Indiana, on Jan. 9, 1921, to Noah and Mary (Rockwell) Flora. She departed this life on Dec. 21, 1987, after suffering from pneunomia, making her sojourn here 66 years, 11 months, and 12 days.

She worked most of her life in a furniture factory until her health did not permit her to do so. The last 11 years, she resided at The Brethren's Home in Flora.

Early in life she was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church and remained faithful until death. She was anointed on Sunday afternoon, just a day before her passing.

Preceding her in death were her parents; 3 brothers, Harvey, Earl, and Donald. Left to mourn her passing are 4 brothers, Carl and his wife, Sarah, Francis and his wife, Betty, Kenneth and his wife, Ruby, and Robert and his wife, Ruth; 3 sisters-in-law; and several nieces and nephews.

Hazel will be greatly missed by her family and friends, but we trust our loss is her eternal gain.

Services were held at the Reinke Funeral Home on Dec. 24, at 8:30 a.m., by Bro. James Diehl. Further services were held at 9:00 a.m., in the Deer Creek meetinghouse by Bro. Max Geiser and the undersigned. The Scripture used was 2 Cor. 4:16,17. Hymns used were 393 and 384. Burial was made at the Ash Grove Cemetery, near Lima, Ohio, with Bro. Raymond Wagoner using hymn 403 and offering the prayer.

Calvin L. Wolf

BOWMAN — Harold R., son of Carl and Margaret (Metzger) Bowman, was born July 8, 1933, near Lima, Ohio. He was suddenly called by his Heavenly Father on Dec. 22, 1987, in a traffic accident while returning home from work, at the age of 54 years, 5 months, and 14 days.

In May, 1953, he moved to the Goshen, Indiana area. After being baptized together on May 10, 1953, into the Old German Baptist Church, he was united in marriage with Shirley Hufford on Sept. 13, 1953. They shared 34 precious years together. Their union was blessed with 6 children.

On Aug. 19, 1961, he, with his companion, were called to the office of Deacon, in which he served faithfully until called home.

Preceding him in death was 1 sister, Lucille.

Left to remember a loving husband, father, and grandfather are his companion; 2 sons and 4 daughters, Bro. Dennis and Sister Debra Martin, Ernie and Gail Schrock, Bro. Duane and Sister Lisa, Bro. Galen and Sister Ronda, Bro. Jerald and Sister Margaret Yost, Julian and Sara Jane Kessler; and 8 grandchildren. He will also be missed by his parents; 6 brothers and 7 sisters: Bro. Paul and Sister Helen Layman, Richard and Vera Mowery, Glen and Anna Mae Vermillion, Robert and Leah Doyle, Bro. Ronald and Sister Evelyn, Raymond and Vivian, Bro. Marvin and Sister Evelyn, Howard and Joyce, Bro. Glenn and Sister Mary Jane Wolf, Bro. Wilbur and Sister Bonnie, Ralph and Dorothy Miller, Lon and Janice Bohnstedt, Eldon and Susie, and many other relatives and friends.

On Dec. 26, a prayer service was held at the Yoder-Culp Funeral Home in Goshen, followed by funeral services at the Yellow Creek Old German Baptist meetinghouse. The home brethren officiated, assisted by Bro. Paul Garber. The text, chosen by the family, was taken from Luke 23:28, "Weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children." Hymns used were numbers

150, 455, 403, and 73. He was laid to rest in the church cemetery.

The Family

CABLE — Ruth S., daughter of Elder Jacob D. and Anna (Cassel) Miller, was born June 5, 1896, near Astoria, Illinois, and departed this life at Snyder's Nursing Home, Rushville, Illinois, on Dec. 24, 1987, at the age of 91 years, 6 months, and 19 days.

On Nov. 25, 1920, she was united in marriage to Cecil R. Cable and together they shared their joys and sorrows for over 67 years. To this union were born 2 children, 1 daughter, Erma Elizabeth, and 1 son, Charles Richard who passed away Dec. 20, 1960.

Surviving to cherish the memory of a loving mother are her companion; her daughter and her companion, Gale D. Geiman; 1 daughter-in-law, Charlene (Cable) Kirkbride; 4 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; 3 brothers; and 3 sisters.

She was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church early in life and remained faithful until death. She, with her companion, were installed into the office of Deacon in 1932. Their concern and many acts of kindness remain as a tribute to their devotion.

During an earlier illness, she called for the anointing and was greatly comforted. As long as health permitted they shared their home with others. Many are they who remember her as one who enjoyed her home as well as gardening and working with flowers.

She was very devoted to her Church and family and we feel our loss is her eternal gain.

Services were conducted at the Mud Valley meetinghouse from 1 Peter 3:1-6, on Dec. 29, by Bro. Arthur Cook and the undersigned. Burial was made in the cemetery nearby in hope of the resurrection.

Orvel M. Gish

RENICKER — Susie Marie, daughter of William (Grant) and Golda (Landis) Renicker, was born in Carroll Co., Indiana, March 17, 1909.

Her family moved to the North Manchester area in 1919. It was here she found employment in various occupations, retiring from the Heckman Bindery in 1972. She, with her sister Ruth, cared for their parents, then shared each other's companionship in a mutual home for 45 years.

She was a faithful attendant of the Old German Baptist Brethren Church until within a few weeks of her passing. Failing health was complicated by a broken hip which resulted in death at the Wabash Co., Hospital, Dec. 24, 1987, at the age of 78 years, 9 months, and 7 days.

Surviving are her sister, Sister Ruth Renicker; 3 nephews, Bro. Donald and Sister Dorothy Wagoner, Bro. Harold and Sister Florence Wagoner, Bro. Keith and Sister Cleo Wagoner; 2 nieces, Helen Tolle, and Sister Leora and Bro. Charles Austin; and other relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death were 3 sisters, Clara Wilson, Sister Ida Wagoner, and Sister Pearl Wagoner; and 1 nephew, Bill Wilson.

Following brief services at the Bender Funeral Home on Dec. 28, the funeral was conducted at the North Manchester meetinghouse by Bro. Clarence Reavis and the undersigned. The Scriptures used were Eph. 2:4 and Acts 7:9. Her body was laid to rest in the cemetery nearby.

Orvel M. Gish

FLORA — Mary Kathryn, daughter of Russell Harrison and Linnie S. (Gascho) Flory, was born Sept. 19, 1920, in Clark Co., near Springfield, Ohio. In 1921, they moved to near Rossville, Indiana. This home circle was broken when mother left for Eternity's shore on May 19, 1923, after which her mother's sister, Aunt Cora Gascho, became the wife of her father, hence a mother, to whom she gave sincere love and affection. The years of her youth were spent in activities with friends, neighbors, and church associates.

In the year 1937, she, with five other friends were received into fellowship with Jesus in the old German Baptist Church by baptism at the hands of Elder Jacob W. Skiles. Elder Solomon Stoner had the message at church that day. From henceforth her interest was for souls to accept Jesus. She would tell the whole world!

Being of a lovely and Christ-like nature she gave a young man, Myrl Flora, the privilege of becoming his bride, a beautiful Christian bride, and she always remained just as lovely in heart and character. Bro. Jacob Skiles officiated and blessings from

God were upon them. They were blessed with 4 daughters. This home was established in the Stillwater district, near Dayton, Ohio. Their home was blessed with love, joys, and successes. God helped them in their trials, burdens, and losses. "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee" (Heb. 13:5). Praise God for all things; His Word was her staff.

In 1948, she, with her husband were called to the Ministry of God's Word at Stillwater. They were ordained in 1958, shepherding the flock together since 1974.

Mary Kathryn was a good housekeeper, lovely wife, mother, and grandmother. The furtherance of God's Kingdom and growth also at Stillwater was always a great concern of her heart.

Her heart and soul were so much stronger than her body. Her faith bore her weakening body through the years. To live with her was to understand and love her more every day. She received the anointing on several occasions, lastly on Nov. 12, 1987. In our hearts we approached the river of death together, however on Dec. 24, 1987, she stepped forward alone and met her Savior through the valley of death, aged 67 years, 3 months, and 5 days. She said, "either way, I'll be a winner!"

Treasuring the memories of our loved one are her bereaved but warrior-like husband; 3 daughters, Barbara Layman and husband, Robert, Bonita Burns and husband, Ray, Carolyn Stoner and husband, Robert; 11 grandchildren, training for the Kingdom of service; 3 sisters, Esther Flora and husband, Ralph, Mildred Peters and husband, Everett, and Carol Flory; 1 brother, David Flory and wife, Donnabelle; a son-in-law, Doyle Rogers; many nieces and nephews who were loved greatly by Aunt Mary Kathryn; a host of cousins, aunts, and uncles so dear to her heart; many other dear relatives, friends, loved ones in our Lord Jesus and many business associates of her husband.

Preceding her in death were her father; 2 mothers; 1 daughter, Susanne, in 1979; and 1 sister, Mabel, who died in infancy.

Home for Christmas! Her last words were "I love you," with a stroke on the cheek.

Services were conducted Dec. 29, at the Rogers Funeral Home, New Lebanon, Ohio, and concluded at the Stillwater meetinghouse by the home brethren. Scriptures used were John 17:11, 1 John 2:15, and 1 Cor. 15:51-58. Songs used were 422, 150, and 455. Burial was made in the Stillwater Cemetery, nearby, to await His glorious appearing.

The Family

BEACHLER — Fanny May, was born near Lawrence, Kansas on March 9, 1905, daughter of Chris Nelson and Mary Catherine (Gish) Peterson. She spent her youth in a family of 9 children, sharing many happy times on the family farm in the Willow Springs district. At the age of 16 years, Fanny accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior, and was baptized in Nov. 1921, by Elder Nicholas Crist, and became a member of the Old German Baptist Church.

In 1927, she came to Modesto, California, in which area she resided the rest of her life. Fanny was married to Dannie F. Beachler on April 11, 1928, by Elder Jacob A. Cover, at the home of her cousin on Beckwith Road. To this union were born 4 children, Shirley, Donovan, Rollin, and Mary Lee.

Our family will have cherished memories of Mother's loyalty, interest, and concern for us, her encouragement and example through times of trial, and her sharing of happiness through sweet times. She had many friends and greatly enjoyed association with them, and especially dear to her was her church fellowship. Until her health failed, she faithfully attended church services.

After an active and useful life, she became ill in Dec. 1982, and since Jan. 1983, she had been a patient at Evergreen Convalescent Hospital, Modesto, where her husband visited her faithfully every day for almost five years. Mother's victory came early Christmas morning and she was released from this life to be with her Lord. She died on Dec. 25, 1987, at the age of 82 years, 9 months, and 16 days.

She leaves her devoted companion of almost 60 years; and 3 children, Shirley Priebe, Donovan C. Beachler, and Mary Lee Crook. Dear to her heart were her 7 grandchildren, Leslie Garcia, Michael Priebe, Bambi Beachler, Ronda Slack, Mark Crook, Randahl Crook, and Daniel Crook; 7 great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Rose Gish; 1 brother, Vernon Peterson; nieces, nephews, and many relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death were her son, Rollin, on July 13, 1981; her father, in 1937;

mother, in 1966; 5 brothers, Carl, Hallie, Ralph, Noah, and Leon Peterson; and 1 sister, Elsie Wingert.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 28, at 1:30 p.m., in the Modesto church, attended by many relatives and friends. Elder Aaron B. Miller and Bro. Gordon C. Rumble officiated. Hymns used were 483, and *How Great Thou Art* at the church, and 494 at the graveside. Burial was made in Lakewood Memorial Park, Hughson, California.

The Family

MILLS — Herbert Jennings, was born to James and Lucendia (Mitchem) Mills, on March 15, 1902, Mercer Co., West Virginia, and departed this life at the Community Hospital, Princeton, West Virginia, on Dec. 30, 1987. His sojourn on earth was 85 years, 9 months, and 15 days.

Early in life he lost the guiding influence of a father, and was reared by his Mother. He learned the occupation of coal mining at the young age of 11 years. After working in the mines for 50 years, he retired in 1962. He then spent 24 winters in Florida, making it convenient to attend church services every Sunday, which he enjoyed very much. He enjoyed fishing in his retirement years.

Hearing the call of the Savior, he made his covenant with God and was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church in Sept., 1938. He lived faithful to his vows, leaving us an example of a pilgrim, who through faith, looked for a city whose builder and maker is God.

In 1943, we moved to a farm. Having plenty of room, we held church services at our home on the fourth Sunday of July, for 40 years. He looked forward to that time every year, until he was disabled by Alzheimer's disease, and no longer was able to host these meetings. After losing our only child, Jack, in 1982, he grew steadily worse until both mind and body were destroyed. He was placed in Billings Nursing Home for 1 year and 9 months before his passing. He had a special concern for his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and was loved by all who knew him.

He is survived by his companion, Elsie; a loving daughter-in-law, Verleen Mills, who faithfully helped to care for him; 2 grandsons, Douglas and his wife, Teresa, and Arlon and his wife, Beverly; 4 great-grandchildren, Tracy, Eric, Leah, and Jeffry Mills; 2 step-grandchildren, Billie and Dawn Meadows, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Visitation was held at the Seaver Funeral Chapel, Princeton, with a large attendance of sympathizing friends and relatives.

Funeral services were conducted at the Funeral Chapel, on Jan. 2, 1988, at 1:00 p.m., by the home brethren, Charles and Daniel Sowers. Scriptures used were 1 Cor. 15, John 11, and Ps. 90. Hymns used were 455, 403, and 432. Comforting and assuring words were given from God's Holy Word, reminding us that what is planted shall rise again. Spring is coming. His body was laid to rest in the Roselawn Cemetery, Princeton. Hymns used were 385 and 398.

We wait in hope on the promise given — we will meet up there in our home in heaven.

The Family

ROTHENBERGER — Herman P., son of Clarence and Susan (Hurst) Rothenberger, was born Aug. 12, 1915, in Madison Township, Clinton Co., Indiana. He passed away at home on Jan. 4, 1988, following a lengthy illness.

Herman was united in marriage with Thressa Metzger on Dec. 27, 1936. He was a farmer and lifelong resident of the Mulberry — Rossville area. He hauled livestock for several years and drove a truck for National Homes Corporation in Lafayette, Indiana, for 10 years, retiring in 1980. He had also been a school bus driver for the Rossville schools from 1947 to 1959.

Herman was a member of the old Fair Haven Lutheran Church north of Mulberry and in recent years had attended the Middle Fork Old German Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Nancy; an infant sister, Mary Josephine; and 1 brother, Bruce Rothenberger.

Surviving are the widow; 2 sons, Keith G. Rothenberger and wife, Joann, and Max L. Rothenberger and wife, Sandra; 6 grandchildren, Brian, Mark, Rex, Michael, Rita, and Kimberly Rothenberger; 2 sisters, Gladys Gustafson, and Grace Gray; and 1 brother, Herbert Rothenberger.

Funeral services were conducted at the Brown Funeral Home in Rossville, at 10:30 a.m., on Jan. 7, by the home brethren of the

Middle Fork district. Scriptures used were John 11:28, 1 Thess. 4:13-18, and Ps. 23. Hymns used were 47, and 522. He was laid to rest in the Middle Fork Old German Baptist Cemetery.

The Family

SUBSCRIPTION RECEIVED

Lois Garber	$ 14.00
Delbert Flora	7.00
Quentin Groesbeck	7.00
Mrs. Robert D. Stoner	7.00
Clarence Peters	14.00
John E. Culp	7.00
Marvin B. Crawmer	7.00
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Kenneth Garber	7.00
Edith G. Fahnestock	7.00
Robert Lehigh	10.00
Ellen Brubaker	7.00
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Wade Miller	7.00
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Lee Kuns	692.00
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Bitter, yes, but tears are cleansing;
They have washed the grieving heart.
And times window, blurred, is plainer —
Curtains drawn now seem to part.

As I realize that in sorrow,
Looking back through fleeting years,
Nothing's won by pining, grieving,
Nothing's won by future fears.

Lord, adapt me to these changes,
That I do His holy will!
May I in God's chain of changes
Be a link, my place to fill.

Look with faith into the future,
Gain, but lessons from the past,
Then rejoice for Christ is coming
For His saints on earth at last.

Live today that those who follow
May obey His precepts still,
And know this, that time nor changes,
Ever change His holy will.

Build upon that sure foundation
By His wisdom, hewn and laid;
Christ the rock of our Salvation
Bids us venture unafraid.

Conquer self and Satan's temptings,
Never lay the armor down,
For the victory lies before thee;
Linen robes and golden crown.

God determines when the trumpet,
Sounding over land and see,
Calls His saints to climes eternal,
When time and change no more shall be.

— George Knaus, Knob Noster, Mo.

OBITUARIES

POSTMA — Etta May, was born to George and Isadora (Flory) Markley, March 9, 1890, in Willow Springs Township, Douglas Co., Kansas, where she lived all her life.

On Feb. 25, 1917, she was baptized in a stream, south of Lone Star, Kansas. At that time she made her vows to her Heavenly Father and from that time, He reigned in her heart and soul.

Etta May was united in marriage with Asa Marion Postma, Feb. 26, 1919, at the home of her parents. To this union were born 2 children, Marion Eugene Postma, who died in infancy, and Vera Maxine Postma, who died June 21, 1947. Etta's husband also preceded her in death Jan. 23, 1968.

Survivors include 2 brothers, Robert, and Solon Markley; 9 nieces; 7 nephews; and a host of relatives and friends. She passed away at Lawrence Memorial Hospital, Lawrence, Kansas, Dec. 10, 1987, at the age of 97 years, and 9 months.

She was a faithful worker and a deaconess in the Washington Creek Church of the Brethren. She was always ready to help when or wherever she was needed.

Etta was an energetic women, working hard both inside and outside her home. She loved growing many different flowers and found time to do much fancy work, making many beautiful quilts during her lifetime. Etta will be remembered by many as a zealous church worker, a Sunday school teacher, a loving wife and mother, a dear sister, a good neighbor, and a beloved aunt to many nieces and nephews. She was well liked and everyone enjoyed her company.

Some day we will meet her again at Jesus' feet, where the sunshine of His love forever shines and where we will never grow old.

The Family

REECE — Neva Marie, the only child of Frank and Mabel (Killingsworth) Kessler, was born March 10, 1931, near Sawyer, Pratt Co., Kansas. She departed this life Jan. 6, 1988, at the Pratt Regional Medical Center, Pratt, Kansas, aged 56 years, 9 months, and 27 days, spending her entire life in the Sawyer community.

In Aug. 1946, she was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, remaining faithful until death.

Before going into surgery, she was anointed by the Elders according to the Apostle James, which gave her much comfort.

Dec. 1, 1951, she was united in marriage with Melvin H. Reece. This home was blessed with 4 children.

Mother had her ups and downs in life, having been afflicted with polio which left her partially paralyzed and in a wheel chair the last few years. She never complained of her condition, always wanting to do for others. She enjoyed crocheting and took up oil painting the last two years of her life, which she enjoyed in her spare time.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her aged parents; her loving companion; their children, Wanda Ring and husband, Raymond, Marilyn Loomis and husband, David, Galen, and Merlin; 3 granddaughters, Jennifer and Michelle Loomis, and Erin Ring, whom she dearly loved and enjoyed caring for; and a host of relatives and friends. She will be greatly missed in the home, in the Church, and in the community.

On Jan. 9, a brief service using hymn 392 and the 23rd Psalm, was held at the Larrison Mortuary in Pratt. Services, which were attended by a large number of family and friends, were held in the Sand Creek meetinghouse at 2:00 p.m., by the home brethren. The Scripture used was 2 Cor. 4:17,18, "Our light afflictions," with hymns 494, 396, 403 being used in the meetinghouse and 484 at the graveside. She was laid to rest in Pleasantview Cemetery, with toils and cares in the past, to await the resurrection morn. Our loss is her eternal gain.

The Family

BOONE — Irvin Cline, son of Mordecai and Mary Ellen (Montgomery) Boone, was born Aug. 13, 1895, in Franklin Co., Virginia, being one of a family of 13 children. His entire life was spent in the same community, except for one year in Maryland. He chose for his life's companion, Maggie E. Bowman on Nov. 27, 1915. They were blessed with 14 children, 7 sons and 7 daughters.

He confessed his Savior and was baptized into the fellowship of the Old German Baptist Church in 1906. He remained steadfast in the Faith until death. The Church called him and his companion to the office of Deacon on May 10, 1919, in which he cheerfully served as long as health permitted. After a short illness, he peacefully changed this life in the hope of a better one on Jan. 17, 1988, at his home, at the age of 92 years, 5 months, and 4 days.

He is survived by his companion of over 72 years; his sons and their companions, Robert T. and Mary, Arthur D. and Rowena, Bro. Samuel M. and Eva, Ezra N. and Ginger, Bro. Joel A. and Phyllis, O. Riley and Judy, Roy B. and Jo Ann; daughters and their companions, Sisters Ena Miller and John, Dorothy Layman and Ezra, Ruth Garber and Raymond, Ruby Taylor, Susie Bowman and Ezra, Lydia Rutrough and Albert, Dora Austin and Marion; 1 brother, Harry and his wife, Alois; 2 sisters-in-law, Mabel Boone, and Martha Boone; 53 grandchildren; 85 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; a number of stepgrandchildren and foster grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death were 3 grandchildren, Rena and Ray Boone in 1977, and Janet Bowman in 1987; 1 infant grandchild; 1 great-grandchild, Lillian Garber in 1984; 2 infant great-grandchildren; 3 sons-in-law; and 2 daughters-in-law.

Funeral services were held Jan. 19, in the home at 10:00 a.m., using hymn 393 and at the Oak Hill meetinghouse at 11:00 a.m., by the home brethren. Scriptures used were Psalm 103 and Luke 12:27-43, with hymns 387, 443, and 363. Hymn 491, his favorite, was sung while the grave was being filled. The body was laid to rest in the Oak Hill Cemetery to await the resurrection.

The Family

FLORA — Doris Mae, daughter of Carl C. and Bessie B. (Hodges) Flora, was born in Carroll Co., Indiana, on April 1, 1924. She departed this life at 5:55 p.m., on Jan. 19, 1988, at the home of her sister, Bethel, at the age of 63 years, 9 months, and 18 days.

At the age of 8 months, she developed a high fever which left her an invalid the rest of her life.

Surviving are 1 brother, Loren L. and his wife, Geneva; 2 sisters, Helen Flora and Bethel Flora, who cared for her in her home; 2 nieces; 1 nephew; 1 great-niece; and 4 great-nephews.

Her mother preceded her in death in Feb., 1964, and her father in Jan., 1972.

We entrust her now to the care and keeping of a just and all-wise Heavenly Father who doeth all things well.

Funeral services were conducted by the home brethren at the Sullivan Funeral Home, and at the Deer Creek meetinghouse on Jan. 22, at 10:00 a.m. The text was taken from 2 Tim. 1:8-10. Hymns used were 393, 423, and 431. Burial was made in the Mussellman Cemetery.

Max Geiser

HERCHER — Elizabeth, daughter of Abram and Elizabeth Winger, was born Aug. 21, 1892, at Edgely, Ontario, Canada. She passed away at York Central Hospital in Richmond Hill, Ontario, on Jan. 26, 1988, at the age of 95 years, 5 months, and 5 days.

She was married to Gererd Hercher on March 1, 1924. In 1915, she was baptized in the Don River and she and her husband were members of that district of the Old German Baptist Church for many years.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a brother, Bro. Sam Winger; 2 half sisters; and 2 half brothers.

Her last six and one half years were spent in her own apartment at the Parkview Home in Stouffville. She enjoyed many friends there and elsewhere, and her keen memory of events long ago will be missed.

Over forty years ago, she and her husband joined the Brethren in Christ Church. Funeral services were conducted on Jan. 28, by Pastors Marlin Ressler and Ken Smith, of her congregation, in the little meetinghouse on Dufferin St., where our services are held when the Brethren come, which she often attended. Hymns used were 384 and 498, with one verse of *The Eastern Gate* sung at the graveside in the adjoining cemetery.

Paul and Mary Baker

GISH — Ilden LeRoy, was born Dec. 19, 1899, at Coalinga, Fresno Co., California, the son of Bro. William and Sister Meda (Miller) Gish. In 1901, after spending some time in Fresno Co., the family moved back to Whittier, and then in Dec., 1904, Ilden came with his Grandmother Gish to Modesto, where his father and 2 brothers had previously moved. He, being deprived of a Mother due to a lingering illness, was raised by his Grandmother and his Uncle Noah Gish.

Ilden spent most of his entire life in the Modesto area, where he farmed for many years, mostly in the Beckwith Road area. Through the years he also worked for various brethren in fruit growing, packing, and grain harvesting.

On Dec. 15, 1925, he was married to Nellie Vivian Marconett. To this union were born 4 children, Harold, Marleta, Charlene, and Curtis. The family circle was broken when the youngest child, Curtis LeRoy, drowned on July 9, 1941, at the age of 19 months.

On March 18, 1928, Ilden was one of 8 that was baptized and became members of the Old German Baptist Church. Of this group of 8, he is the first to pass away.

Ilden's life as a Christian was one of rejoicing and he dearly enjoyed the fellowship with others that loved the Lord. He will long be remembered for his faithful church attendance. Dear to his heart was his family, and again with the passing of his beloved wife, Vivian, on Feb. 17, 1981, he made adjustments and was resigned to the will of the Lord.

With older age, he experienced declining health, and in March, 1987, he called for the anointing, and again Jan. 23, 1988. Daddy was a willing and tireless laborer and though his strength waned in his later years, he still did what he could for others. When his health became irreversible, he then expressed his desire to go to be with the Lord Jesus. Daddy passed to Life Eternal on the morning of Feb. 3, 1988, at his home near Modesto at the age of 88 years, 1 month, and 14 days.

He is survived by his son, Bro. Harold and his wife, Sister Mae; 2 daughters, Sister Marleta and her husband, Bro. Roger Haney, and Sister Charlene and her husband, Bro. Carroll Kessler; 10 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren, all who loved their Grandpa; and many other relatives and friends.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; 2 brothers, Bro. Albert Gish and Bro. Orvel Gish; 1 half brother, Floyd Gish; and 2 grandsons.

This ends the earthly life of one who had lived and labored faithfully for the Master till the end. He enjoyed many happy times with a large relationship and many friends.

The funeral was held in the Modesto Church on Saturday, Feb. 6, at 1:00 p.m., with Elders Aaron Miller and Roger Gish and Bro. John D. Rumble officiating. Hymns used were 499 and 150. Bro. Edward Gish officiated at the graveside service in the Wood Colony Cemetery. Several hymns were sung during the filling of the grave, closing with *How Great Thou Art*.

The Family

BOWER — Damon Lowell, infant son of Lowell and Sister Joy (Bussey) Bower, was

stillborn shortly before 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1988, at Good Samaritan Hospital, Dayton, Ohio.

Left in the comfort of God, who both creates and understands each unopened flower, are a host of friends and relatives. Paternal grandparents are Bro. Isaac and Sister Glenna Bower; great-grandparents, Bro. Josiah and Sister Maude Beckner; and 1 great-grandmother, Sister Vera Brubaker.

Maternal grandparents are Bro. Keith Jr. and Sister Lucille Bussey; great-grandparents, Bro. Keith and Sister Emma Bussey; and 1 great-grandmother, Pauline Flora.

At 2:00 p.m., Feb. 19, graveside services were conducted at the Palestine meetinghouse cemetery by Damon's grandfather, Isaac, assisted by the undersigned. Blessed thoughts were gleaned from Ps. 34, Mark 10:13,14, Rev. 21:4, and hymns 371, 375, and 445.

Losing this tiny, heavenly treasure leaves our hearts tender, yet uplifted to an Immortal God who has again reminded us that life is precious, fleeting, and forever His.

Philip King

"The soul would have no rainbow had the eyes no tears."

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So, reverently we humbly bow
And ask for Thy forgiveness now,
We ask for mercy and for grace
To live that we should see Thy face.

— Irene Stout, Wabash, Ind.

THROUGH THE RAIN

Although You send the sunshine, Lord,
Sometimes You send the rain;
And when those storm-clouds open up,
My whole life seems in vain.
That path that seemed to me so right,
Has led to hurt and tears,
There seems to be no way to turn,
I cry for wasted years.

I bombard heaven with my prayers,
"Dear Lord, please ease the pain,"
It's hard for me to look ahead
At what might be the gain.
I do not stop to realize
It's part of God's own plan
To show me what I cannot do,
My loving Savior can.

Now, as I turn my thoughts to Him,
And lift my eyes above,
He picks me up and shows me things
I'd never have dreamed of.
"I have a better plan for you,"
I hear my Savior say,
"A special purpose for your life,
If you'll but walk My way."

I know that in my future,
I'll look back upon this time,
And clearly see how through the rain,
He held His hand in mine.
I love You for the sunshine,
I thank You for the rain,
That taught me how to trust in You,
And brought me joy from pain.

Sel. by Helen Fingerle
North Manchester, Ind.

OBITUARIES

ERROR IN OBITUARY

We regret that an editor's error occurred in the obituary of Ilden Gish, appearing in the March issue, on page 94. At the end of the first paragraph, it mistakenly reads, "his Uncle Noah Gish." It should have been, "his Uncle Nathan Gish."

ELLER — Geraldine (Yoder), daughter of Harry and Gladys (Denlinger) Yoder, was born Oct. 3, 1925, and departed this life Jan. 5, 1988, at the Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton, Ohio, at the age of 62 years, 3 months, and 2 days.

Her health had been failing for some time, but her illness was not thought to be of a terminal nature. In the afternoon of Jan. 5, she was taken to the hospital for tests, and in the early evening she suffered a blood clot in a vital organ, causing her death. The suddenness of all this was a great shock to the family and friends.

On Aug. 26, 1944, she was united in marriage with Joseph W. Eller, son of Elder Willie E. and Mary (Fisher) Eller. The marriage was performed by Elder Jacob W. Skiles at the bride's home. The couple lived most of their married life in Montgomery Co., Ohio.

Jerri, as she was known by her friends, was organizer, and first director of the Miami Co. on-site meals program for some years. She was always happy helping people in whatever way she could, and she will be greatly missed by the family and friends.

She is survived by her companion; son, James; daughter, Carolyn; 2 grandsons, Julian and Jay; granddaughter, Jenessa; and sisters, Betty Jane Garber and Hazel Kepler.

Memorial services were held Jan. 9, at 2:00 p.m., at Trinity Lutheran Church, 6540 North Main St., Dayton, Ohio, where she was a member.

Life is as a vapour that soon vanishes away.
Allen Yoder

SOWERS — James Marvin, son of James C. and Lillie (Swepton) Sowers, was born Dec. 17, 1909, in Vickers, Virginia. He departed this life very suddenly at home on Jan. 18, 1988, at the age of 78 years, 1 month, and 1 day.

He was united in marriage with Pearl Stanley on Sept. 1, 1932. This union was blessed with 4 children.

He was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church with his companion on Sept. 8, 1935, to which he remained faithful until his death.

He will be greatly missed by his companion

ELLER — Geraldine (Yoder), daughter of Harry and Gladys (Gwaltney) Yoder, was born Oct. 3, 1920, and departed this life Jan. 5, 1984, at the Mount Valley Hospital, Dayton, Ohio, at the age of 63 years, 3 months, and 2 days.

Her health had been failing for some time, but her illness was not thought to be of a terminal nature. In the afternoon of Jan. 5, she was taken to the hospital in Lima, and in the early evening she suffered a blood clot in a vital organ, causing her death. The sudden near of all this was a great shock to the family and friends.

On Aug. 20, 1944, she was united in marriage with Joseph W. Eller, son of Elder Willis E. and Mary (Yoder) Eller. The marriage was performed by Elder Jacob W. Stiles at the bride's home. The couple lived most of their married life in Montgomery Co., Ohio.

Jeri, as she was known by her friends, was organist and choir director of the Miami Co. county music program for many years. She was always happy helping people in whatever way she could, and she will be greatly missed by the family and friends.

She is survived by her companion, son, Jason daughter, Carolyn, 3 grandsons, Robin and Jay, granddaughter, Jessica, and nieces, Betty Jane Coulter and Hazel Kepler.

Memorial services were held Jan. 9 at 2:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 61 to North Main St., Dayton, Ohio, where she was a member.

Obituary to appear next month: Allen Yoder

SOWERS — James Harris, son of James C. and Lillie (Hoagland) Sowers, was born Dec. 17, 1903, in Vinton, Va. He departed this life very suddenly at home on Jan. 15, 1984, at the age of 73 years, 1 month, and 1 day.

He was united in marriage with Flora Stanley on Sept. 1, 1932. This union was blessed with 4 children.

He was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church via the confession of Sept. 6, 1952, to which he remained faithful until the death.

He was preceded in death by his parents

of over 55 years; his children and their companions, Nancy Chambers and Danny, Martha Adkins and Ray, Bro. John and Sister Jane, and Deborah Lucas and William; a brother, Bro. Leslie; 14 grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother; a sister; and 1 grandson.

He was a farmer and a 75 year resident of Peterstown. His quiet, cheerful way touched our lives and endeared him to all. He was always a kind, loving and patient husband, father and grandfather. He will long be remembered by his family, by the Brethren, and his many friends and neighbors.

A short service was conducted on Jan. 20, at 1:00 p.m., at Broyles Funeral Home, Peterstown, West Virginia, by Elder William Brunk and Bro. Robert Peters. Hymn 481 was used. Services continued at 2:00, at the Spruce Run meetinghouse by Elder Charles Sowers and Bro. Daniel Sowers. John 14:1-6, and hymns 463, 484, and 499 were used. His body was laid to rest in Karnes Cemetery to await the call of the Master. Hymns 455, 403, and 491, were lined while the grave was being filled.

We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

The Family

METZGER — Orville E., son of Clarence and Ida (Keister) Metzger, was born Oct. 2, 1905, in Kosciusko Co., Indiana. He departed this life on the evening of Feb. 6, 1988, at his home near North Manchester, aged 82 years, 4 months, and 4 days.

When a small boy, he moved with his parents to Wabash Co. He spent the years 1928 and 1929 in California, working in the melon fields. On Feb. 27, 1932, he chose for his companion, Mae Niccum. In May, 1934, Mother and Daddy were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, and he remained faithful until death. To this union were born 9 children. He lived on a farm all his life and provided for his family by farming. He also worked at concrete work several years. In later years he enjoyed gardening as long as health permitted. They were privileged to spend 8 winters in Florida, and also made trips to the west coast. Daddy liked fishing and was a lover of nature.

He leaves his devoted companion of nearly 56 years; 8 children, Leon and his wife, Agatha, Catherine, Esther Blocher and her husband, Billie, Max and his wife, Irene, Eldon, Wilmer and his wife, Janet, Mark, Leona Acord and her husband, Ernest; 25 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Opal Miller and Marietta Sell; 2 brothers, Don and Lester Metzger; and many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; 1 brother, Ernest; 1 infant son, Delmar; and 3 grandchildren.

Daddy will be greatly missed in the church and in the home, but we feel our loss is his eternal gain.

A short service was held Feb. 10, at the Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Home, in Roann, followed by services at 10:30 a.m., at the North Manchester meetinghouse by Elder Herman Shuman, assisted by the home brethren. The text was taken from 1 Cor. 15:20, and Heb. 2:9. Hymns used were 494 at the funeral home, 423, 453 and 463 at the church, and 425 at the grave.

His body was laid to rest in the cemetery by the church to await the resurrection morn.

The Family

DEETER — Clarence Wilbur, son of Henry and Hannah (Mohler) Deeter, was born Feb. 22, 1890, in Miami Co., Ohio, near Covington. After a long life of 98 years and 4 days, he departed this natural life for eternity. He died peacefully at 1:30 p.m., Feb. 26, 1988.

In 1905, at the age of 15, he chose to obey his Lord and Master. He submitted to the holy rite of Baptism and was received into the fellowship of the Old German Baptist Church to which he remained faithful.

On Jan. 19, 1910, he was united in marriage with Artie Wenrick. To this union were born 6 children of which 4 died in early infancy. Early in their married life, they established a home at the Wenrick home place where they farmed for the next 12 years. In 1922, they moved across the road, right north, and adjacent to the Palestine meetinghouse. For the next 45 years, Clarence served as the church janitor.

In 1925, he and his wife were called to the office of Deacon, in which he served faithfully. He loved to read and sing.

His livelihood and hobbies consisted of various things including beekeeping, shopwork, woodworking, and rug weaving. For a number of years he operated a saw sharpening service.

His wife, Artie, preceded him in death in Sept., 1967.

In 1973, he went to live at the Greenville, Ohio, Brethren's Home, his residence, until his death.

He leaves behind a multitude of relatives. Surviving are a daughter, Sister Glenna Boyd and her husband, Bro. Walter; a daughter, Sister Phyllis Miller; 6 grandchildren; 2 stepgrandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; 9 stepgreat-grandchildren; 26 stepgreat-great-grandchildren; and approximately 500 nieces and nephews, including great-great-great-nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were conducted at the Zechar Funeral Home in Greenville, by Bro. Howard Montgomery. Hymn 552 and Job 14 were used. Services at the Palestine meetinghouse were conducted by Bro. Isaac Bower and the undersigned. Hymns used were 393 and 403. Scriptures used were Ps. 23, and portions of John 14, Ps. 16, and Job 7:6, the latter providing the thought of the weaver's shuttle with which Bro. Clarence was well acquainted. The golden threads of obedience, faith, and love were offered for edification. Additional hymns, 494, 484, and 150 were sung during the viewing. Bro. Keith Skiles, using hymn 401 and 1 Cor. 15, offered final words of comfort at the graveside. Hymns 459, 483, and 457 were sung as the grave was being closed.

Bro. Clarence now rests in the care of the One who called him into the fold so many years ago. He who gave him length of days also promised Life Eternal and therein his hope lay.

Philip J. King

BRUBAKER — Miriam (Flora), was born April 4, 1927, on a farm near Potsdam, Ohio, the daughter of John H. and Maudie (Rauch) Flora.

On Nov. 19, 1944, she submitted to Christian baptism uniting her with the Old German Baptist Church, to which she remained faithful.

Oct. 20, 1946, she was united in marriage with Christian Brubaker. They were blessed with 5 daughters, who so faithfully helped their father care for her through her declining days.

Jan. 16, 1988, in the presence of her family, she was anointed with oil. This Biblical rite gave her much comfort. Her Lord called her home Feb. 26, 1988, aged 60 years, 10 months, and 22 days.

Survivors include her companion; the 5 daughters, Marilyn Bullock with her husband, Robert, and their 7 children; Elaine Wheeler with her husband, James, and her son; Dianne McCloud with her husband, James, and their 2 sons; Susan Miller with her husband, Duane, and their 3 children; and Jenny Brubaker with her husband, Gene; her aged parents; 1 brother, Ralph Flora; 2 sisters, Velma Flory and Florence Wagoner; 1 uncle, Aaron Flora; and quite a few nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Her life was not of broad spectrum, but she was faithful to her family and attentive to their cares. Truly her last years were her best ones as she exemplified that meek and quiet spirit which is in the sight of God of great price.

Bro. Samuel Garber assisted the home brethren with the funeral services on March 1, held at the Upper Twin meetinghouse. Hymns used were 56, 491, 455, and 403. The text was taken from 2 Cor. 5:1-9. Interment was at Fairview Cemetery south of West Alexandria.

Thus we give back to the Lord that which He gave her parents over 60 years ago. We thank Him for the life lived, memories that remain, and the victory won. Quietly she came and quietly she left.

The Family

FRANTZ — Anna, was born Sept. 14, 1893, at Vandalia, Ohio, daughter of John and Susan (Shawen) Markey. She was married on Dec. 25, 1913, to Markey Frantz, and they were the parents of 4 children.

They spent their early married years in Washington and Ohio, then in 1920 moved to near Whittier, California, and in 1934, to Modesto, in which area she lived the rest of her life.

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In 1916, she and her husband were baptized and were members for many years of the Old German Baptist Church. In later years, she was a member of the Prescott Bible Church. She enjoyed her home and her family, and her flowers were a specialty.

She passed away on Feb. 28, 1988, in Modesto, at the age of 94 years, 5 months, and 14 days.

She is survived by 4 children, John M. Frantz, Susanne Hansen, Elinor Thomas, and Nannette Retz; 1 sister, Mary Jean Borchers; 1 sister-in-law, Dora Frantz; 16 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; and 7 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1973; 2 grandsons; 1 brother, Herbert Markey; and 1 sister, Catherine Booher.

Viewing was held from 9:00 a.m., to 9:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 2, in the Salas Brothers Funeral Chapel. Elder Stanley Filbrun officiated at graveside services the next day at 1:00 p.m., in the Acacia Memorial Park, Modesto. Hymns used were, *Nearer My God to Thee* and *Safe in the Arms of Jesus.*

The Family

BRUBAKER — Mary Frances, daughter of Elder Edward C. and Lavina (Brubaker) Miller, was born in Clinton Co., Indiana, near Rossville, on Nov. 5, 1903. She was the youngest of a family of 7 children: Lydia Skiles, Orpha Skiles, Hester Wagoner, Jesse E. Miller, Howard P. Miller and Lora Long, all of whom preceded her in death.

On Nov. 24, 1921, she was united in marriage with Amos T. Brubaker in the home of her parents near Pyrmont. June 11, the following year, they were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church. Their home was blessed with 2 sons, Donald C. and Louis M. They were elected to the Ministry Dec. 9, 1947, and ordained to the Eldership Dec. 5, 1959. In these labors she was a faithful companion, and lived a devoted and consistent life, residing within the bounds of the North Fork district.

Their home was broken by the death of her companion April 21, 1984. In April of 1987, Mother was taken from her home in Pyrmont to be cared for by her family in their several homes.

She was admitted to the Milner Health Care Center, near Rossville, Jan. 27, 1988. Her stay there was short, and she passed peacefully and quietly away Feb. 29, at the age of 84 years, 3 months, and 25 days. One grandson, and 1 great-grandson preceded her in death.

In addition to her sons, she is survived by 8 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and a large number of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at the North Fork church at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 3, by the home brethren. The text used was 2 Cor. 1 and 2. Hymns used at the church were 222 and 384. At the North Fork Cemetery, hymn 396 was used where the body was laid to rest under a fresh blanket of snow to await the resurrection morn.

The Family

BLICKENSTAFF — Henry Everett, son of Everett and Ollie (Layman) Blickenstaff, was born Nov. 4, 1943, at Modesto, California.

On Oct. 7, 1962, Henry married Darla Ritter, and from that union was born 1 daughter, Lori Jean. On Aug. 30, 1974, Henry married Sue Hamilton, and they had 3 children, Melissa, Everett Jacob, and one child that preceded him in death. Henry also adopted Sue's son, Jason. He had 1 grandson, Drew.

For many years, he was employed as a plumber and worked and lived in Stockton, California. Henry had a personal experience with the damaging effects of chemical dependency. Later, he became highly involved in ministering to others through Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous. A testimony of his efforts is seen in the changed lives of many individuals.

On Feb. 29, at the St. Josephs Hospital, Stockton, in the presence of family members, Henry confirmed his faith in Jesus Christ as his Savior and was baptized as a testimony of his faith. He went to be with his Lord on March 1, 1988, at the age of 44 years, 3 months, and 26 days.

He is also survived by his mother, Ollie Garber; 2 brothers, Leonard and Bill Blickenstaff; 3 sisters, Martha Bell, Mary Ann Berthold, and Catherine Hockman; 2 stepsisters, Bessie Jones and Helen Cederwall; and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his father, Everett; and his stepfather, Jake Garber.

Many relatives and friends attended the

services on Saturday, March 5, at 10:00 a.m., in the Salas Brothers Funeral Chapel, Modesto. Officiating were Pastors Joe D. Wright and Bill Hockman. Hymns, *Blessed Assurance, Amazing Grace,* and *He Touched Me,* were used at the chapel, *How Great Thou Art* and *Open Our Eyes* at the graveside. Burial followed in the Wood Colony Cemetery.

We that are alive and remain look forward in faith to that great reunion at the return of Christ.

The Family

HALL — Goldie Evelyn, daughter of the late Noah and Mary (Holsinger) Hollinger, was born in Adams Township, Darke Co., Ohio, July 25, 1915. She quietly and peacefully passed away at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Violet and Wade Flora, in Brazil, South America, March 1, 1988, at 4:45 a.m., aged 72 years, 7 months, and 5 days.

On March 14, 1936, she was united in marriage with Orville Hall. To this union were born 4 daughters who survive. Her husband preceded her in death on Feb. 9, 1985.

As a young woman, she accepted Christ as her Savior. At the time of her passing, she was a member of the Old Brethren Church.

She loved her Lord and her life was a great inspiration to her children and grandchildren. There were many trials in her life but Mother was always cheerful and lived a life totally dedicated to the Lord. She will always be remembered for her pleasant and kind ways.

Those who mourn her passing are her daughters, Mrs. Larry (Mary) Beasecker, Mrs. Wade (Violet) Flora, Mrs. Ellen Shields, and Mrs. Mark (Deborah) Seymour; 12 grandchildren; 1 great-grandson; 1 brother, Elvin Hollinger; and an aunt, Ruth Rudy.

Funeral services were held March 1, 1988, at 4:30 p.m., at the Flora residence with many loved ones and friends present. The message was given by Joseph Cover of California. Burial followed in the Mennonite Cemetery.

Memorial services were held March 13, at 2:00 p.m., at the Old Brethren Church near Gettysburg, Ohio, by Ministers Hollis Flora, Kenneth Martin, and Claude Boone. The text used was from 2 Tim. 4:6-8. One of the hymns used was *Asleep in Jesus,* with emphasis on the last verse.

The Family

"Faith draws the poison from every grief; takes the sting from every loss; and quenches the fire of every pain; and only faith can do it."

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away all your tears . . . Mother is the only person . . . who can answer yes to all . . . gift of God, treasure of mankind . . . may she rise and never fall.

Sel. by Martha E. Wolf, Delphi, Ind.

DON'T STOP YET!

Hart Armstrong

Don't stop yet, my Brother, my Sister,
Your work for the Lord is not done;
There's enemies yet to be conquered,
Before the last vict'ry is won.

The struggle is raging around us,
Some brother is calling to you;
Your prayer of compassion is needed,
There's plenty of work yet to do.

Each day as you travel earth's pathway,
Your life is a lesson to all;
They watch how you walk with the Saviour,
Obeying His Word and His Call.

The Lord has to you a task given,
A job which none other can do;
So bend down to lift up the burden,
The workers are always too few.

With patience and skill you must labor,
If you would a masterpiece make;
Each day you must toil to perfect it,
No matter how long it may take.

The time of the end is approaching,
The last task on earth will be done;
What joy when we rise up to meet Him!
We'll know that the vict'ry is won.

"Well done!" will Christ say to the faithful,
"Reward will be given to you!
The joy of your Lord is awaiting,
The life which forever is new!"

Sel. by J. Donald Wray, Sawyer, Kan.

"DEATH"

Why comest thou in our midst, O death,
And takest those so dear?
Fain would we stay thy blighting breath
And keep our loved ones here.

How sad to gaze on features pale
And hands so cold — oh then
To call the names of those we love;
They answer not again.

But we must follow in their steps
And feel the same cold blight;
'Tis only through our Saviour King
There comes a glorious light.

He never called His sheep to go
But where He led the way;
As through the gates of death He went
To bright, eternal day.

So death has lost its terror
To children of the King.
O grave, where is thy victory?
O death, where is thy sting?

As on our way we daily go,
Through light, shade, calm or strife,
Oh, may we bear thy marks below
In conquered sin, and chastened life!

— Selected

OBITUARIES

BRUCHEY — Edith May, was born to Jonas and Emma (Neher) Flora, on June 26, 1909, at Camden, Carroll Co., Indiana, where she grew to young womanhood. In 1929, she moved with her parents to Ohio.

She was united in marriage with Clarence E. Bruchey Sr., of Frederick, Maryland, on Oct. 25, 1933. To this union were born 3 sons and 4 daughters.

She entered the service of her Lord, being baptized into the Old Order German Baptist Church on Feb. 28, 1925, 63 years to the day of her passing.

Mother was afflicted with Infantile Paralysis as a small child which left her somewhat crippled through life. She had been in failing health for the past 6 years. She called for the Elders and was anointed in the name of the Lord, twice in her lifetime, which gave her much comfort.

For the last 20 months, she had been in the home of Brother Owen and Sister Martha Brumbaugh, who gave her much loving care.

She passed from this life at the call of the Master at 7:30 a.m., Feb. 28, 1988, in the home of her daughter, Mary, Covington, Ohio, making her sojourn on earth 78 years, 8 months, and 2 days.

Left to mourn her passing are her children, Wilma Miss, John, Ruth Pearl, Clarence Jr. (Bud), Mary Burns, Walter, and Norma Lease; 27 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; 1 stepsister, Mary Forney Coning; 1 sister-in-law, Mary Brubaker; 1 brother-in-law, Raymond Garber; and many, many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Preceeding her in death were her parents; her husband, on Oct. 16, 1985; 1 sister, Ruth Garber; 7 half brothers, Alva, Frank, Lawrence, Lloyd, Carl, Amos Brubaker, and Harley Flora; and 2 half sisters, Phoebe Morris and Flossie Rumble.

Thus the book of her life is closed to be opened in Heaven. We leave her in the hands of God, looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Services were held on March 2, in the Jackson Funeral Home, Pleasant Hill, Ohio, by David Grim and in the Covington meetinghouse with Robert Jamison officiating, assisted by William Diehl and Charles Diehl.

Scriptures used were Ps. 90, John 14:1-6, and 2 Cor. 5:1. Hymns used were 457, 403, 423, 393, 455, 451, and 498. Burial was in the Sugar Grove Cemetery.

The Family

GARBER — Huldah Barbara, daughter of Emanuel and Mary (Cook) Miller, was born near Lima, Ohio, April 9, 1890. On March 14, 1988, at 5:25 a.m., the death angel called and she willingly answered, making her sojourn here 97 years, 11 months, and 5 days.

On Dec. 24, 1910, whe was united in marriage with Charles W. Metzger, of North Manchester, Indiana. They were blessed with 2 daughters, Orpha and Opal. Charles was called away in 1914, leaving her with 2 little girls to care for.

On Nov. 10, 1917, she was united in marriage with Milton Garber of near Dayton, Ohio. They were blessed with 2 sons, Emanuel and William.

She was baptized in the Old Order German Baptist Church early in age. In April 1924, she, with her husband, Milton, was called to the Deacon's office, serving in their duties as long as health permitted.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mary, in 1946, and Emanuel in 1955; her two husbands, Charles Metzger, in 1914, and Milton Garber in 1958; a brother, Ezra, in 1942; a daughter, Opal Lavy, in 1950; a son-in-law, Raymond Musser, in 1981; a stepdaughter, Anna Garber, in 1982; and a granddaughter, Donna Rae Burton, in 1986.

She leaves to mourn her passing, 1 daughter, Orpha Musser; 2 sons, Emanuel and wife Catherine, William and wife, Nannie Belle; 1 stepson, Raymond Garber; 11 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; 9 great-great-grandchildren; 7 stepgrandchildren; 34 stepgreat-grandchildren; and 6 stepgreat-great-grandchildren; a son-in-law, Orville Lavy; an aged brother, Isaac Miller, who, if the Lord gives him strength, will be 100 in July.

She had been in failing health for some time and was tenderly cared for by her daughter, Orpha. On Nov. 25, 1987, she entered the Care Center in Covington, Ohio. The nursing staff gave her wonderful care. She never complained. She just wanted to sleep and said she was so tired.

Funeral arrangements were taken care of by Bridges and Stocker Funeral Home, in Covington. Services were at 10:00 a.m., March 17, in the Old Order German Baptist meetinghouse at Painter Creek, Ohio. The text was taken from Ps. 116, and Prov. 31:10-31. Hymns sung at the church were 403, 477, and 378. While viewing, hymns 396 and 393 were used. Ministers Donald Burns, David Grim, and Charles Diehl officiated. *Shall We Gather at the River*, and hymn 384 were sung while the grave was being filled. Burial was in Mote Cemetery, there to await the resurrection morning. We trust our loss is her eternal gain.

The Family

LANDES — Sarah Elizabeth, beloved daughter of Daryl and Rhonda (Switzer) Landes, was born Aug. 10, 1983, near Modesto, California. Following a short illness, her spirit took its flight unto our Lord, the evening of March 18, 1988, at the tender age of 4 years, 7 months, and 8 days.

Being small at birth, her early months required special care, endearing her to her family. Her quiet ways, sweet smile, and delight in singing the songs of Zion are precious to us. Her earthly treasures were her family and friends.

Besides her parents, she leaves behind Cara, Cassie, Troy, and Hannah, who share a deep love for their sister. Her family circle included grandparents, David and Sarah Lee Switzer, and Alva and Pauline Landes; and great-grandparents, Margaret Bowman, Charles and Pernia Switzer, Lester and Elsie Fisher, and Daniel and Rachel Landes. Only great-grandpa Orville Bowman preceded her in death. Many uncles, aunts, cousins and

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friends share our loss, yet, with us are rejoicing in her eternal gain.

Services were held March 21, at the Tuolumne meetinghouse by the home brethren. Comforting words were given from Matt. 19:14, "Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven." Hymns 494, 455, and 375 were sung at the church. Burial was in the Wood Colony Cemetery. While the grave was being filled with the help of many young boys, hymns 370, 499, 428, and *Jesus Loves Me* were sung. Following closing remarks and prayer, *Happy the Home*, a favorite song of Sarah's was sung. Her short life has come to a close, leaving us with precious memories.

The Family

FRY — Mary Esther, daughter of Simon and Laura (Coning) Boocher, was born in Wabash Co., Indiana, on April 2, 1897. She departed this life on March 22, 1988, at the age of 90 years, 11 months, and 20 days.

She was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church on May 26, 1918, to which she remained faithful until death.

On March 4, 1922, she was united in marriage with Brother Ora E. Fry. She moved to Michigan and they spent their entire married life together near Lake Odessa. On Nov. 9, 1955, Ora passed from time to eternity. In June, 1956, Mary moved back to North Manchester, where she lived for the remainder of her life.

Surviving are her 2 daughters, Sister Carmen Stambaugh and Sister Margaret Petrie; 2 brothers, Bro. Noah Boocher and his companion, Sister Neta, and Clark Boocher and his companion, Ruth; 1 sister, Sister Flora Metzger and her companion, Bro. Ralph; 6 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and many other relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death were 1 sister; 1 half brother; 1 half sister; 2 sons-in-law; and 1 granddaughter.

She always looked forward to attending meeting, and that, along with her family, was her main interest in her last years. She especially enjoyed her great-grandchildren.

On March 25, a short prayer service was held at her home, followed by 9:00 a.m. services at the North Manchester meetinghouse, by Elder John Flora, assisted by Elders Donald Brubaker and Carl Strike. Scriptures used were Ps. 90, Job 14:14, and Rev. 14:12,13. After the service she was taken to Michigan where a short service was held at 4:00 p.m., at the Clarksville Cemetery, not far from the Lake Odessa church where Mother and Daddy attended meetings all their married life. She was laid to rest beside her companion, to await the resurrection morning.

We trust our loss is her eternal gain.

The Family

GISH — John W., eldest son of John T. and Lizzie (Cool) Gish, was born near Modesto, California on Nov. 18, 1903. He departed this life for an eternal one on March 28, 1988, at the age of 84 years, 4 months, and 10 days.

He spent his entire life in California, near Modesto, where he both began and ended his temporal life. Dad was a farmer, a father, and best of all, he loved the Lord and His Word. He enjoyed discussing the Holy Scriptures and was a faithful follower of them.

He was married to Dorothy Barbara Bowman on Sept. 5, 1926, and together they toiled and rejoiced and raised a family for over 62 years. They were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church on March 18, 1928, and their home became a frequent scene of good food and good fellowship. The Church they loved called them to the office of Deacon on Dec. 18, 1937, and he faithfully served in that capacity until his death.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Trussie and Lizzie; 2 sisters, Edith Blom, and Sara Woodbridge; 3 brothers, Ivan, Caleb, and Raymond; and by 1 great-grandchild, Caleb Gish.

His life will continue to have a profound influence on those of us who remain, namely his wife, Dorothy; 4 sons and their wives, Roger and Mary, Marvin and Joyce, Edward and Barbara, and Philip and Mary Ellen; 1 daughter, Donna and her husband, Dennis Wyatt; 3 sisters, Elva Daniels, Mary Hedgecock Beard, and Amy Kroeker; 15 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and a very large circle of relatives and friends, including his aged mother-in-law, Ethel Bowman.

Daddy was truly a family man. He loved his family and was devoted to them. Even when he was too sick to see his friends and Brethren, he was glad to see the family when some of them stopped by.

His life knew but little suffering and pain and his illness was blessedly brief. He will join the millions of saints in our eternal home.

The funeral was held in the Modesto church on Good Friday, April 1, and was attended by a large crowd of those who knew him. The services were conducted by three of his sons. Hymns 155, 69, and 451 were sung. Good Friday seemed like a fitting time to lay the body to rest in the Wood Colony Cemetery to await the resurrection morning. Brethren Ronnie Miller and Gordon Rumble officiated at the graveside services.

The Family

BECKNER — Martha Ann, daughter of Henry and Viola (Boots) Filbrun, was born March 18, 1904, near Westphalia, Kansas, and spent her life in Anderson Co. During her last several months, she patiently endured much pain, looking forward to her home above where there will be no pain, and so peacefully passed through the shadow of death on March 28, 1988, just ten days past the 84th year of her life.

On Oct. 26, 1919, she was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church and remained faithful until death.

She was united in marriage with Floyd William Beckner on Nov. 23, 1927, and together they shared the joys and sorrows of life for over 60 years. To this union were born 2 children.

She is survived by her loving husband, Floyd, who so patiently cared for her in her illness; 1 son, Donald William and companion, Shirley; 1 daughter, Alma Ann and companion, LaVerne Eichman; 4 grandchildren, Juanita Marie Eichman, Lynette Renee Eichman, Rodney LaVerne Eichman, and Sharilyn Laree Eichman; 1 stepgranddaughter, Stephanie Gordon and husband, Michael; 1 step-great-granddaughter, Amanda; 1 sister, Thelma (Filbrun) Davison; and 1 brother, Alva Filbrun.

Preceding her in death, were her father and mother, and 1 grandson, Gerald Dean Eichman.

She and her husband were elected to the office of Deacon in 1936, where she willingly filled her office as long as health permitted.

During her illness, Mother called for the anointing which gave her so much comfort. She also received much joy and comfort when loved ones would sing hymns of Heaven and joys to come.

She was a very loving and caring wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. She enjoyed her grandchildren so much as she watched them grow to maturity and rejoiced as each one accepted Christ and was baptized into the Church. She leaves many precious memories to them. She surely touched each life who helped care for her in her last days.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, March 31, at 2:00 p.m., in the Cedar Creek meetinghouse, with Bro. Weldon Hirt officiating and home brethren assisting. The text used was John 11:26 with hymn 393: *It Is Not Death to Die*, which was Mother's request. Other hymns used were 422, 463, 455, 499, 498, 430, 220, and 545. Casket bearers were home Deacon brethren and her only grandson, Rodney Eichman. Her body was laid to rest in the Bethel Cemetery.

Our loss is her eternal gain.

The Family

RIFFEY — Charles R., son of Elmer and Florence (Boots) Riffey, was born Aug. 13, 1935, near Westphalia, Kansas. He died after an extended illness in Lakeland, Florida, April 4, 1988, making his sojourn in this life 52 years, 7 months, and 22 days.

Charles accepted Christ as his personal Saviour in 1951, was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, and remained faithful to his vows until called home. He asked to be anointed several times during his sickness, the last being March 27, 1988.

Charles and Evelyn Wolf were united in marriage on Oct. 24, 1954, and they shared the joys and sorrows of life for over 33 years. As the years passed the Lord added to this union 5 sons.

Charles was engaged in farming in the Lapel and Pendleton (Indiana) area for a few years, and then in the Daleville and Ovid areas. In 1970, he purchased a feed store in Daleville and operated the Riffey Feed and Grain Company for 16 years.

In 1981, Charles was diagnosed as having Hodgkin's disease. He had extensive treatment for it at that time, and afterward enjoyed reasonably good health for awhile. Later, with health again deteriorating, Charles

made sale, and they moved to Lakeland, Florida, about Sept. 1, 1986. Occasional blood transfusions kept him going until recently, when his body failed to respond to the blood as before.

One infant sister and one infant granddaughter preceded him to the home beyond.

Those left to mourn are his beloved companion, Sister Evelyn; the sons, Bro. Dallas and His wife, Sister Theresa, Dennis and his wife, Diana, Charles Jr. and his wife, Katherine, Craig and his wife, Rhonda, and Jeff, at home; 5 granddaughters; 1 grandson; his parents; 2 brothers, Bro. Paul and Bro. Harold and their companions; his twin sister, Sister Bonnie Reavis and her companion; uncles; aunts; cousins; and many friends.

Funeral services were conducted April 8, at the Bright Chapel (funeral home) in Pendleton, at the Beech Grove church, and at the gravesite in Pleasant Valley Cemetery, by the home brethren. The hymns used were: 452, 393, 162, 463, 399, 403, 386, 396 and 510. The text used was, 2 Tim. 1:7-10.

The Family

YODER — Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Daniel and Frances (Root) Metzger, was born in Madison Township, Clinton Co., Indiana, on April 21, 1901. She peacefully and quietly passed from this life in the early evening hours of April 4, 1988, at the home of her oldest daughter in Rossville, Indiana, at the age of 86 years, 11 months, and 18 days. On Jan. 17, 1920, she was united in marriage with Ralph C. Yoder, who preceded her in death on April 25, 1983. They shared the joys and sorrows of life together for over 63 years. To this union were born 4 daughters. She accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior and was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church on Oct. 6, 1921, to which she remained faithful until death.

Her entire life was spent in the Rossville area. Mother enjoyed life, her family, and the outdoors, where she spent hours at a time with her flowers and the things of nature while her health permitted.

She leaves to mourn her departure, the following children, Sister Donnabelle Welk and her companion, Bro. Galen, Sister Opal Frantz and her companion, Bro. Leon, Sister Wilma Landes, and Sister Norma Dutter and her companion, Bro. Gordon; 16 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; 1 stepbrother, Alton Metzger; 1 stepsister, Dorothy Kite; and 1 first cousin, Bro. Jesse Metzger.

Preceding her in death were her husband; 2 brothers; and 1 son-in-law, Bro. Carl Landes.

Mother loved her girls and her grandchildren, especially in the latter years, and will be missed by her family, the Church, and the community.

Funeral services were held on April 7, at 9:30 a.m., in Brown Funeral Home in Rossville and at 10:00 a.m., in the Middle Fork meetinghouse with the home brethren officiating. Text used was Prov. 31. Hymns used were 423, 455, and 384. Her body was laid to rest beside her companion in the Middle Fork Old German Baptist Cemetery where hymns 494, 453 and 451 were sung as the grave was being closed.

The Family

BOWMAN — Mary Ethel, was born in Wayne Co., Indiana, on Oct. 10, 1889, daughter of Harve and Nettie (Shepard) Kindrick. In 1898, the family moved to Lordsburg (LaVerne), California.

On Christmas Day, 1906, she was married to Noah W. Bowman. To this union were born 19 children. They lived at Lordsburg and Whittier, moving to the Modesto area in 1919, where they remained, except for a few years at Aptos. Noah passed away on Feb. 22, 1971, and after that, she went to live at the Bethany Home in Ripon, where she lived until she passed away on April 9, 1988, at the age of 98 years, 5 months, and 29 days.

Noah and Ethel were baptized together at the Progressive Brethren Church at LaVerne, a few days before they were married. At the time of her passing, she was a member of the Grace Brethren Church, of Ripon.

She is survived by 13 children, Dorothy Gish, Delma Replogle, Dolly Webb, Delbert Bowman, Daisy Frantz, Dee Martin Brown, Doreen Laws, Denise Brown, Dan Bowman, Denzille Shonk, Dumont Bowman, Dana Scott, and Douglas Bowman; 55 grandchildren; 82 great-grandchildren; 42 great-great-grandchildren; and many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by 6 children, Doris Brown, Della Brown, Dale Bowman,

Dean Bowman, David Bowman, and Donald Bowman; 1 grandson; 1 great-grandson; and 1 great-great-grandson.

We will cherish special memories of our beloved Grandma Bowman. She had a strong personality and freely shared her love of the Lord to all who knew her. She lived a busy and full life, but always took time to visit and to be a caring Mother and Grandmother.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 13, at 10:00 a.m., in the Salas Brothers Funeral Chapel, with Pastor Glen W. Shirk officiating. Her youngest son, Doug, officiated at the graveside service in the Wood Colony Cemetery.

The Family

SHOUP — Kenneth Glendon, oldest child of Irvin B. and Elnora (Hockman) Shoup, was born Nov. 27, 1903, at the family farm near Dialton, Ohio, where he spent his early life. When he was 15 years old, his dear mother passed away, leaving 5 young children. His father remarried in 1920, to Rosa Brubaker.

Kenneth moved to Whittier, California, in 1926. On Aug. 15, 1929, he was married to Rachel Eva Miller, daughter of Aaron and Nellie Miller. They lived at Whittier until Feb. 1931, when they moved to North Hampton, Ohio, again returning to Whittier in 1934. They moved to Modesto in 1937, and they lived many years on Stonum Road, where they were active farmers. For 18 years, Kenny worked as a combine operator in grain harvesting, where he had the pleasure of working with many friends and he was known for his dedication and ability, always articulate in all his work.

To know Kenneth was to appreciate him. He was always there and always dependable in times of need. He was always ready to listen, to counsel, and to be a friend.

On May 24, 1930, he and Rachel were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church. The love of the Lord was manifested in his daily life, in faithful church attendance, and his association with his many relatives and friends.

Twice during his declining health, Kenneth requested and received the comfort of the anointing. In 1983, he became hospitalized, where he remained, receiving faithful daily attention by his beloved wife. He longed to go to be with Jesus, and this desire was sweetly answered to him on Sunday morning, April 10, 1988, in the English Oaks Convalescent Hospital, at the age of 84 years, 4 months, and 13 days.

He is survived by his wife of almost 59 years, Rachel E. Shoup; their son, Samuel G. Shoup; 2 sisters, Ellen Eikenberry, and Eunice Peters; 1 brother, Willard Shoup; 2 grandchildren, Jennifer and Matthew; nieces; nephews; and many brethren, who were all dearly appreciated by Kenny.

He was preceded in death by his father, Elder Irvin Shoup, in 1951; his stepmother, in 1977; and 1 brother, Carl Shoup, in 1981.

The funeral was held Thursday, April 14, at 9:00 a.m., in the Modesto District Church. Elder Daniel Stamy opened and Bro. Gordon Rumble had the message. The text was 1 Cor. 3:21-23. Hymns used were 483 and 499. Several hymns were sung during the filling of the grave in the Wood Colony Cemetery, closing with *How Great Thou Art*, and remarks by Elder Mark Grover.

The Family

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OBITUARIES

ALDSTADT — Brittany Wray, daughter of Ron and Sharri Aldstadt, of Dayton, Ohio, was born Feb. 14, 1984. She passed away suddenly with pneumonia at home, March 15, 1988, at the age of 4 years, 1 month, and 1 day.

She was a bright, happy, and energetic little girl who will be missed very much by her family and many friends.

Brittany attended Fairview United Methodist Church where she was also involved in Sunday School classes. She attended Southview School in the Ecic Program.

She is survived by her parents; brother, Jesse C. Aldstadt; maternal grandfather, Foster L. Metzger; paternal grandparents, Everett and Thema Aldstadt; uncles, Dr. Aldstadt and Lon Metzger; 1 aunt, Ruth Blymer; and 3 cousins.

Funeral services were held at the Fairview United Methodist Church, in Dayton, with Pastor H. Douglas Shriner officiating. Burial was in Stillwater Cemetery.

Foster Metzger

OYLER — Carey, was born Aug. 2, 1907, near Ottawa, Kansas, and passed away March 31, 1988, at the Home Hospital, Lafayette, Indiana, at the age of 80 years and 8 months.

He was the son of John H. and Nannie (Bousman) Oyler.

In 1932, he was united in marriage with Ursel Angle and they lived their entire married life in the Flora, Indiana, area.

They were the parents of 2 daughters, Doris Harter and Bonnie Meiers.

Carey suffered a severe heart attack while in the waiting room at the hospital and passed away the same evening. He was a member of the Church of the Brethren.

Surviving are his wife; the 2 daughters; 1 sister, Eunice; 2 brothers, Lowrye and Glenn; 2 half brothers; and 3 half sisters.

Funeral services were held April 4, with burial in Mussleman Cemetery.

There is but a step between us and death.

Glenn Oyler

YODER — Paul J., son of Jacob S. and Linnie (Cottrell) Yoder, was born May 21, 1903, near Rossville, Indiana, and passed away unexpectedly at his home on the evening of April 5, 1988, at the age of 84 years, 10 months, and 16 days.

He was united in marriage to Faye Mossburg on June 29, 1929, at Rossville, by Elder Jacob W. Skiles. They made their home in the Rossville area until 1942, when they moved to the Flora, Indiana, area.

In the year, 1932, he and his companion were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, to which he remained faithful.

Dec. 4, 1987, while he was in the hospital because of heart trouble, he called for the anointing by the Elders according to Apostle James, which gave him much comfort.

He leaves to mourn, his companion; 3 sons, Junior, Marvin and his wife, Joyce, Bro. Dean and his wife, Sister Geraldine; 1 daughter, Sister Jean Brenneman and her husband, Don; 1 daughter-in-law, Sister Joyce; 15 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Sister Mary Shively, and Sister Anna Epp; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by 1 son, Wayne; 3 brothers; and 1 sister.

He was a devoted companion and loving father, always interested in his children and grandchildren. In his later years, he enjoyed working in his yard and with his flowers. He will be remembered for his cheerful and friendly ways, and will be missed by his family and many relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 8, at 2:00 p.m., in the Bachelor Run meetinghouse with the home brethren officiating. The text was Ps. 90:9,10, 1 Thess. 4:13-18. Hymns used were 425 and 455. He was laid to rest in the Maple Lawn Cemetery, where hymn 123 was used.

We feel our loss will be his eternal gain.

The Family

OYLER — Lowrye, was born Oct. 7, 1913, near Twin Falls, Idaho, and passed away April 6, 1988, at the Home Hospital, Lafayette, Indiana, at the age of 74 years and 6 months.

He was the son of John H. and Nannie (Bousman) Oyler.

Lowrye was married to Virginia Clouser in July, 1934. She passed away Aug. 29, 1973. His brother, Carey, preceded him in death by only 6 days.

He was a member of the Church of the Brethren.

Surviving are 1 son, Ronald; 1 daughter, Jeanette; 1 sister, Eunice; and 1 brother, Glenn; 2 half brothers; and 3 half sisters.

He spent most of his life in the Flora, Indiana, area.

Funeral services were held April 9, with burial in Mussleman Cemetery.

Life is as a vapour that appeareth for a little while.

Glenn Oyler

HOLSINGER — Harry Eldon, son of Jay and Estella (Boyd) Holsinger, was born Nov. 1, 1918, in Gage Co., Nebraska.

On April 24, 1938, he accepted Christ as his Savior and was baptized according to God's Word. By so doing, he was received into the fellowship of the Old German Baptist Brethren Church. In this fellowship he grew in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ until March 30, 1988, when he suffered a massive stroke. He lay unresponsive, but surrounded by much love and care by family and friends for eleven days. On the 12th day, April 10, very early in the morning, his spirit took its flight back to God who gave it to the world, 69 years, 5 months, and 9 days earlier.

On July 6, 1940, he was united in marriage to Effie Root. The Lord blessed them with 3 sons who cherish the heritage that he left them.

Daddy and Mother lived in various parts of the brotherhood. First in central Indiana, near the towns of Wabash and Rossville, then after five years, they moved to Modesto, California. Nine years later they moved to Ohio, near New Carlisle. Twenty-four years later, having lived in the Tipp City and Troy areas of Ohio, too, they moved back to California, this time to Ripon. At the time of his passing, they lived in the town of Riverbank.

Daddy was a builder. He built several houses in his lifetime, but more important were the relationships that he built with his associates and with the people he met. Many are the souls who became endeared to him.

Left to anticipate a glad reunion someday with him in Glory, are his wife of almost 48 years; 3 sons, Larry and his wife, Carolyn, Allen and his wife, Bernadine, and Harlan and his wife, Marilyn; a sister-in-law, Louise Root, who has stayed in their home for 35 years; 10 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild; 3 brothers and 3 sisters, David, Otho, Lloyd, Mary Flory, Alice Kline, and Ruth Blocher; and many other relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents; 1 brother, Elmer; and 1 grandson, Mark.

Funeral services were held April 13, at 3:00 p.m., in the Olive Grove meetinghouse by the home brethren. The text was taken from Ps. 103:15,16, and James 4:14, comparing man's lifespan to grass that withereth, flowers that fade, and vapour that vanisheth. Hymns 526, 393, and 498 were used. Interment was made at the Wood Colony Cemetery, Modesto. Elder L. D. Wolf shared a few comforting thoughts there. Hymns 522, 510, 455, and 363 were used while the grave was being filled.

The Family

GARBER — Naomi, daughter of William T. and Ida M. (Benedict) Hess, was born Oct. 22, 1900, near Quincy, Pennsylvania. She was united in marriage with Emmert B. Garber, Oct. 5, 1926, and they lived on a farm near Chambersburg for a number of years. They later moved to the Antietam district. She also was employed as a practical nurse in the local area.

In 1929, she and her companion were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, and in March of 1943, they were called to the office of Deacon.

In 1951, she and her companion moved to Mont Alto, within the bounds of the Falling Spring district. She was bereft of her companion Aug. 27, 1973. Suffering various afflictions, she asked for the anointing service Dec. 14, 1975, and the Lord lengthened her life twelve more years, which she spent in local nursing homes.

She had a keen mind and memory, always enjoying her visits with the members and children. She was called from time to eternity

at the Chambersburg Hospital, April 21, 1988, making her alloted time on earth 87 years, 5 months, and 29 days.

Surviving are 1 son, Jesse F. Garber; 1 granddaughter; 4 sisters and brothers, Sister Ruth Lesher, Sister Maude Hess, S. Benedict Hess, and Leslie M. Hess.

Funeral services were held April 23, at the Grove Funeral Home by the home brethren and her body was laid to rest in the Mount Zion Cemetery to await the resurrection of the just.

Donald L. Hess

LAIR — Naomi V., daughter of Jerome Albert and Emma D. (Neher) Beeghley, was born Jan. 19, 1908, in Montgomery Co., Ohio. There she lived until she was united in marriage with Edward Allen Lair of Clermont Co., Ohio, on Nov. 8, 1931.

This union was blessed with 1 daughter and 3 sons. A much loved foster daughter came to share their home at the age of 9 years.

They lived in Miami and Champaign Counties until March 1946, at which time they purchased a farm in Clark Co., Ohio, near New Carlisle. This home remained her residence until Dad passed away on May 31, 1975. Shortly thereafter Mother retired to the smaller house on the farm, with the foster daughter. This remained her home until her death.

Although Mother had an enlarged heart, she enjoyed fairly good health until the last six months. She was hospitalized on April 19, with edema which became progressively worse. Mother departed this life, to meet her Maker at 1:25 p.m., April 28, 1988, at the age of 80 years, 3 months, and 9 days. "And if by reason of strength they be fourscore years" (Ps. 90:10).

She was a member of the Donnels Creek Old German Baptist Church, having been baptized into the faith of her choice in 1930.

Her father preceded her in death in Dec., 1909, shortly before her second birthday; her mother, in July 1945; her stepfather, Edwin Hyre, in 1950; an infant daughter, Lureda Mae, died in 1935, at the age of 7 days; and a sister, Mrs. Elmer (Iona) Harer, in 1960.

She is survived by the foster daughter, Margaret (Spence) and her husband, Marvin Austin; 3 sons and their wives, Irvin and Bonnie, Marvin and Mary Jane, and Kenneth and Linda; 3 granddaughters, Debbie Lair, Lori Lair, and Cara Lair; 4 grandsons, Rob Lair, Mike Lair, Curt Lair, and Bobby Lair; a half sister, Mrs. Gilbert (Geneva Hyre) Grover; 1 stepbrother, Richard Hyre; 1 stepsister, Sylvia Wetzel; and many dear relatives, friends and neighbors.

Mother enjoyed her family, especially the grandchildren, and spent many hours in caring for her family and their needs. She also enjoyed crocheting and caring for her flowers and garden.

Services were held May 2, at 9:15 a.m., in the Trostle-Chapman Funeral Home, New Carlisle, with Ps. 23 and prayer, and at 10:00, in the Donnels Creek meetinghouse with the home brethren officiating. Hymn 455 and reading of the 90th Psalm was used in opening, with Scriptures from John 14:1-6, 2 Cor. 5:1-6 and 1 Cor. 15:42-52 for the message. The closing hymn was 384, with number 403 being sung at the graveside.

The Family

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His strength poured forth waiting to be
received . . .
God made a day
for communion
with Him.

— Hazel Slothour, Chambersburg, Pa.

SISTER, THOU WAST MILD AND LOVELY

Sister, thou was mild and lovely,
Gentle as the summer breeze;
Pleasant as the air of ev'ning,
When it floats among the trees.

Peaceful be thy silent slumber —
Peaceful in the grave so low;
Thou no more wilt join our number,
Thou no more our songs shalt know.

Dearest sister, thou hast left us;
Here thy loss we deeply feel,
But 'tis God that hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.

Yet again we hope to meet thee,
When the day of life is fled;
Then in heaven with joy to greet thee,
Where no farewell tear is shed.

Sel. by Florence Wagoner
Silver Lake, Ind.

THE PASSING OF OLD SOLDIERS

It is a sobering thought —
The passing of the "old,"
Who labored long through summer's heat
And winter's bitter cold.

They heard their Captain's call
Like morning bugler's peal;
And with His army faced the foe —
Its fiery darts to feel.

Consoling though to me . . .
Their battles now are fought,
And their reward is waiting them
For serving whom they ought.

And then I stop and think,
Can I bear up as they . . .
And stay a soldier for so long
And walk His narrow way?

I fear lest I will sleep,
Nor have my armor on,
And then alone to face the foe —
His Holy Spirit gone.

Then may we watch and pray,
Wear shield and spear and bow;
And with His Christian soldiers march
And bravely face the foe.

And as the time draws near,
More vivid is the view
Of that great prize beyond the skies —
For soldiers old and true.

— George Knaus, Knob Noster, Mo.

OBITUARIES

STANTON — Ruth Rebecca, twin daughter of Edward and Saloma (Cabaniss) Clawson, was born in Preble Co., Ohio, on June 13, 1913, and departed from this life May 8, 1988, on Mother's Day at Good Samaritan Hospital after a lengthy illness. Her time on earth was 74 years, 10 months, and 25 days. Her twin sister, Rachel Garber, departed from us a few hours after Mother.

On Feb. 8, 1936, she was married to William Irvin Stanton. In April, 1937, she and her companion were baptized into the Eaton Church of the Brethren. They spent the last 29 years in Trotwood, Ohio, as members of the Trotwood Church of the Brethren. During her past she was anointed with oil according to the Scripture.

She was preceded in death by 1 son, William Eugene, age 8, in 1946, and her father, Edward Clawson, in 1956.

Survivors include her devoted husband of 52 years; a son, Richard and companion, Judy; 2 grandchildren, Matthew and Christa; her mother, Saloma Clawson; 1 sister, Edna Parsons and companion, Harold; 2 brothers, Leonard Clawson and companion, Katherine, and Lawrence Clawson and companion, Wanda; and several nieces, nephews, and friends.

Funeral services were conducted on May 12, 10:30 a.m., at Rogers Funeral Home in Trotwood by Pastors Paul Kinsel and Glenn Timmons. Burial was at Mound Hill Union Cemetery, Eaton, Ohio.

Our loss is her eternal gain.

The Family

GARBER — Rachel Irene (Denlinger), twin daughter of Edward and Saloma (Cabaniss) Clawson, was born in Preble Co., Ohio, on June 13, 1913, and departed from this life very suddenly May 8, 1988, on Mother's Day, at Greenville Brethren's Home.

Her time on earth was 74 years, 10 months, and 25 days. Her twin sister, Ruth Stanton, also departed from us a few hours before Mother.

On Aug. 8, 1936, she was married to Alfred Denlinger, and they lived near Brookville, Ohio. This union was blessed with 1 son. In Sept., 1941, she and her companion were baptized into the fellowship of the Old German Baptist Church, in the Wolf Creek district. This union was broken by the passing of Alfred on June 20, 1956. Her father, Edward, also passed away on June 28, 1956.

A new marriage was started on May 5, 1957, with Elder Elmer D. Garber, at which time she moved to Gettysburg, Ohio. She lived there until the passing of Elmer on Oct. 15, 1982. She spent the remainder of her life in the Greenville Brethren's Home. During her past, she was anointed with oil according to the Scripture.

Survivors include her son, Norman Denlinger and companion, Donna; 1 granddaughter, Darlene; stepchildren, Ralph Garber and companion, Betty, Harold Garber and companion, Nancy, Dorothy Turner and companion, Harold, Opal Fullmer and companion, Lloyd, Ethel Jamison and companion, Calvin; 24 stepgrandchildren; 32 stepgreat-grandchildren; her mother, Saloma Clawson; 1 sister, Edna Parsons and companion, Harold; 2 brothers, Leonard Clawson and companion, Katherine, and Lawrence Clawson and companion, Wanda; 1 brother-in-law, Irvin Stanton; and several nieces, nephews, and friends.

One stepson, Eldon Garber; 1 stepgrandson, Lynn Garber; and 1 stepgreat-grandson, Andrew Garber preceded her in death.

A short service was held on May 13, 9:00 a.m., at the Zechar Bailey Funeral Home, and at 10:00 a.m., in the Oak Grove church by the home brethren. Burial was at Bear Creek Cemetery, near Dayton, Ohio.

Our loss is her eternal gain.

The Family

ZIMMERMAN — Emil, was born at Port Arthur, Texas, on June 18, 1904, son of Anton and Bertha (Tinna) Zimmerman. When he was 4 years old, he went with his father to live in Germany, and returned to Texas when he was 19 years old.

In 1928, he came to Modesto, California, where he was befriended by several brethren families. Emil was an impeccable, hard worker and he gave heaped-up measure to his employers. He lived several years with the Otto and Olive Bowman family.

Emil felt the call of the Holy Spirit and asked for baptism. He was baptized on Feb. 28, 1932, and became a member of the Old German Baptist Church.

In 1937, he moved to Rio Del in northern California, and worked as a bark press operator for the Pacific Lumber Company for 32 years, retiring in 1969.

He was married to Myrtle Hacker on April 16, 1938, and they were the parents of 1 son. His wife passed away April 17, 1984.

Emil made a number of trips to the Ripon and Modesto area, staying among the members and families, who all enjoyed visiting with him and hearing about his adventurous life. He often expressed his love for the Lord and liked to discuss the Scriptures. He held his membership at the Olive Grove district.

May 1, 1988, he went to Brookings, Oregon, to stay with his son, and he passed away in Brookings on May 15, 1988, at the age of 83 years, 10 months, and 27 days.

He is survived by 1 son, Frederick Zimmerman; 1 sister, Marie Stewart; and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held May 18, at 2:00 p.m., in the Calvary Chapel Assembly of God Church, with Pastor Adrain van Aswegen officiating. He was buried in the Ward Memorial Cemetery, Brookings, Oregon.

The Family

COTTRELL — Clara E., daughter of Joel and Susanne (Metzger) Wagoner, was born in Clay Township, Carroll Co., Indiana, on March 21, 1893. She departed this life May 23, 1988, in the Milner Health Care Center in Rossville, Indiana, after suffering two strokes, April 28, and May 21, at the age of 95 years, 2 months, and 2 days.

She entered the Lafayette Home Hospital on April 10, 1988, where she called for the anointing service which gave her much comfort. Because of the need for extended care, she entered the Milner Home on April 12, 1988, where she received loving care.

She was baptized into the Old German

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Baptist Church in the North Fork district in Sept. 1913, and lived a consistent Christian life until death.

On Feb. 8, 1914, she was united in marriage with Perry James Cottrell, and to this union were born 4 sons and 4 daughters. This union was broken by the passing of her beloved companion on Feb. 22, 1983.

Sister Clara had a keen mind and interest in the Church and her family, maintaining and enjoying her home, her flowers and garden, and the company of brethren, sisters and friends until 6 weeks before her passing. Her life enriched the lives of many and her absence will be keenly felt in the Church she loved.

She leaves to mourn her departure 2 sons, Richard and Calvin; 4 daughters, Elsie Butler, Edna Welk, Edith Welk, and Irene Denlinger; 12 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; 7 great-great-grandchildren; and a host of friends.

Preceding her in death were her companion; her parents; 1 infant sister; 2 sons, Floyd Alvin in infancy, and Alva Joel on Dec. 24, 1939, at the age of 16 years; and 1 great-grandson.

Funeral services were held May 26, at 9:25 a.m., in the Brown Funeral Home in Rossville, and at 10:00 a.m., in the Middle Fork meetinghouse by the home brethren. The text used was John 11:25,26. Hymns used were 453, 385, and 393. Her body was laid to rest in the Middle Fork Old German Baptist Cemetery where hymns 494, 460, and 450 were sung as the grave was closed.

Melvin H. Mohler

MYERS — H. Nelson, son of Norman E. and Daisy (Light) Myers, was born Nov. 19, 1904, in Franklin Co., Pennsylvania. He taught school for a number of years and later became a dairy farmer. He enjoyed his occupation and was active in the cattle business until he reached his 80th year. He will also be remembered for his interest in and appreciation of antiques.

On Nov. 4, 1926, he married Mabel G. Slothour and in Nov. 1938, they were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church in the Falling Spring district. His companion was called from time to eternity Oct. 28, 1986.

Bro. Nelson was struck by an automobile in Feb. 1986, and his recovery from this accident was very slow, but he was able to attend meetings and enjoyed the fellowship of his brethren.

On May 7, 1988, he was hospitalized and called for the anointing service. His spirit took its flight May 24, 1988, making his sojourn on earth 83 years, 6 months, and 5 days.

He is survived by 1 daughter, Fay Oliver; 2 sons, Richard and Max; 1 brother, Russell; 2 sisters, Adeline Willis and Lois Weagley; 7 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held May 27, at the Brown's Mill meetinghouse by the home brethren, and his body was laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery to await the return of the Lord.

Donald L. Hess

MOHLER — Miriam Amy, daughter of John B. and Edna (Denlinger) Wade, was born near West Milton, in Miami Co., Ohio, on May 1, 1925. As a young adult, she came to California with others for a visit. During her stay, she came under conviction of her need for a Savior and committed her soul to the Lord Jesus Christ for safekeeping. This commitment was sealed by her testimony of requesting and receiving water baptism on Jan. 9, 1944, at the Modesto district of the Old German Baptist Church, performed by Bro. Hubert Rumble. Upon her confession of faith, she received the gift of God's Spirit who led her through the remainder of her life.

On Dec. 12, 1945, she was united in marriage with Daniel Weston Mohler, sharing the joys and disappointments of life together for over 42 years. This happy union was blessed with 4 loving children with whom they shared a close family life. Miriam instilled her love for singing in her children and their home often rang with songs of praise. They gained much joy in opening their home in Christian hospitality and fellowship.

On April 10, 1964, they were called to the Ministry at the Olive Grove district of the Old German Baptist Church near Ripon, California, where they faithfully served in this labor of love until her death. She was a great source of strength to her husband, being a fruitful example of the believer.

They attended the Annual Meeting at North Manchester, Indiana, and were on their way to Ohio to visit relatives when she went to be with her Lord following an automobile accident at Deerfield, Indiana, on May 25, 1988, at the age of 63 years and 24 days.

She is survived by her devoted companion; 2 daughters and sons-in-law, Suzanne and Durand Overholtzer, Sharon Burrage, Dwayne Overholtzer; 2 sons and their wives, Thomas and Laurie, and John and Barb; her mother; 3 sisters, Mrs. Don (Eileen) Roth, Mrs. Paul (Glenna Mae) Austin, and Mrs. Lloyd (Donna) Bowser; 1 brother, Lowell Wade; 12 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father in 1983.

One granddaughter, Marisa Overholtzer, sustained injuries in the same accident as Grandma and went to meet her in the presence of the Lord on May 26.

We will be ever grateful for the testimony of the Lord Jesus in Mother's life. Her uplifting smile and words of encouragement have cheered so many along life's way. Although we shall greatly miss her wise counsel and warm, sharing ways, the influence of her life, which always abounded in the work of the Lord, shall linger with us eternally.

Services were held on May 27, at 1:00 p.m., in the Jackson Funeral Home, Pleasant Hill, Ohio, with Elder Lowell Garber and Bro. Tracy Wolfe officiating. Hymns used were 484 and 485. Following, a viewing was held until the late evening, with a large response of loved ones.

The remains were flown to California, and again many dear relatives and friends came to the viewing on Sunday, May 29, at the Salas Brothers Funeral Chapel, Modesto.

Nearly 1,000 people attended the funeral service on Monday, May 30, at 9:30 a.m., in the Modesto district church. Bro. Tracy Wolfe opened and Elder Clifford Barnhart had the message. The text was from Rom. 14:7-9, and Prov. 31:30. Hymns used were 484 and 526. Bro. Bruce Hoblit officiated at the graveside service in the Wood Colony Cemetery. During the filling of the grave, several hymns were sung, including, *When we all get to Heaven*, a favorite of Miriam's.

The Family

OVERHOLTZER — Marisa Jayne, was born Sept. 22, 1977, at Modesto, California, daughter of Dwayne and Sharon (Mohler) Overholtzer.

She was a special little girl and enjoyed knowing people. Her prayers will especially be remembered. She was a fifth grade student.

Marisa accompanied her Grandpa and Grandma Mohler to Indiana, to attend the Annual Meeting. On May 25, the three of them were involved in an automobile accident at Deerfield, which took the life of her Grandma. Marisa was taken from Winchester by helicopter to the Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis, where she passed away on May 26, 1988, at the age of 10 years, 8 months, and 4 days.

After her passing, a note was found in her Grandma Mohler's Bible. It reads, "To Grandma from Marisa Jayne Overholtzer. I love you. Do you love me?" Miriam wrote, "Yes, more than I can ever say. I want you to go to Heaven with us."

She is survived by her parents; 1 sister, Bryna Overholtzer; grandparents, Elvan and Gwendolyn Overholtzer, and Daniel Mohler; great-grandmother, Edna Wade; uncles, aunts, cousins, and many friends.

Her remains were flown to California, and viewing was held on Monday afternoon May 30, in th Salas Brothers Funeral Chapel, Modesto. Funeral services were Tuesday May 31, at 10:00 a.m., in the First Church of the Nazarene, Modesto, with Pastors Richard Shrader, Rich Shrader, Jr., and Russell Osborne officiating. Several appropriate hymns were sung at the Church and during the filling of the grave in the Wood Colony Cemetery, where Bro. Tracy Wolfe officiated. She was buried beside her Grandma Mohler.

The Family

SIMMONS — Mark Henry, son of James P. and Mary A. (Hangen) Simmons, was born Jan. 28, 1925, on a farm in Montgomery Co., Ohio, where he and his 3 brothers and 4 sisters learned to care and share with each other during his formative years.

On March 17, 1945, while Mark was in the service, he married his neighborhood sweetheart, Lois E. Flory, at Bastrop, Texas. This union was soon blessed with a son, R. Travis,

and 2 daughters, Juanita Kay and Mary Elizabeth.

After returning from service, he and his bride set up housekeeping near Pyrmont, Ohio, and followed the occupation of farming.

Feeling the need of more fully confirming his peace with God, in 1950 he and his companion were baptized into the fellowship of the Old German Baptist Church. They moved into the Prices Creek district in 1956, where they continued to follow the occupation of farming until 1967, when he chose trucking as a means of their livelihood.

This past winter, in anticipation of enjoying the occupation that he loved in his retirement years, he bought a small farm tractor which gave him much joy.

Mark's life was suddenly snuffed out by a heart attack as he stood by his North American truck. He was pronounced dead at Sharon, Connecticut, on May 26, 1988, making his sojourn on earth 63 years, 3 months, and 28 days. His outgoing personality endeared him to many.

Left to mourn his passing are his companion, Sister Lois; his 3 children, R. Travis and companion, Linda, Sister Juanita Kay Brumbaugh and husband, Allen, Sister Mary Elizabeth Brunk and husband, Bro. Robert; 1 brother, Robert; 3 sisters, Bernice Tamplin, Beulah Valentine, and Betty Carlton; 10 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

On Tuesday morning we gathered for a short service at Bussard-Barnes Mortuary at Eldorado, Ohio. The body was then taken to Arlington Cemetery, Brookville, Ohio, where a memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. Dale Deaton and the home brethren gave words of warning and comfort. A list of hymns found in Mark's hymn book were used: 393 and 450 at the funeral parlor, and 499 and 430 at the cemetery. As the family filled the grave, we sang *Precious Memories*, 483, 498, 384 and as a parting hymn, *Jesus Loves Me*, a hymn the grandchildren love so well.

So another, that had brightened our lives, has left for eternity's shore.

The Family

WENDEL — Iva M., daughter of Cornelius and Sarah (Long) Frantz, was born on May 21, 1891, in Wabash Co., Indiana, and passed away quietly to her just reward on Sunday, June 5, 1988, at the age of 97 years and 15 days.

She was united in marriage on Jan. 26, 1911, with John L. Wendel, who passed away in Nov., 1964. They lived on a farm west of North Manchester for many years, until their retirement in 1945, to their West Main Street home.

In 1941, Iva was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, to which she lived joyfully, and faithfully, true to her vows.

Iva moved to her home at Timbercrest in March, 1968. She spent many cheerful and happy hours making little gifts to give to the children who came with their parents to visit with her. She loved and enjoyed her entire family, and it was always a joy to visit with her. Her stories of the olden days were a treat to her family.

In her last years of failing health, she endured much pain and longed for the time when she would be released to her Heavenly Home.

Her survivors include 1 daughter, Mrs. Harold (Louise) Groninger; 1 brother, Glen Frantz; 3 grandsons; 7 great-grandchildchildren; and many friends.

One brother, Lloyd, preceded her in death in 1914.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m., on June 7, in the Delaughter Mortuary. The 90th Psalm was used to open the service, and Psalm 23 and John 14:6 for the text. Burial was in the North Manchester Church Cemetery.

Donald Brubaker

GARBER — Ira, son of Philip and Emma (Hoffman) Garber, was born Oct. 12, 1893, in Montgomery Co., Ohio. He passed away June 12, 1988, at The Heritage Regency Nursing Home, Richmond, Indiana, at the age of 94 years, and 8 months.

On Aug. 30, 1947, he was united in marriage with Grace Wadsworth, who passed away on Jan. 1, 1984.

He was of a family of 12 children, and the last one to depart this life. Besides his companion, he was preceded in death by his parents; 8 brothers and 3 sisters, Milton, Bertha Urmey, Vernon, Cora, Jesse, Joseph, William, Mary Peters, Pearl, Lee, and Charlie.

He is survived by 2 stepsons, Byron and

Lloyd Wadsworth; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held in the Stillwater meetinghouse at 10:00 a.m., June 15, by Philip King, assisted by Keith Skiles, with the text being taken from 1 Peter 5:7. Hymns 412 and 150 were used at the church, and 459, 455, and 451 at the Stillwater Cemetery, where the body was laid to rest to await the resurrection.

The Family

FERGUSON — Horace E., son of Horace Ellis (Harry) and Mary (Shoup) Ferguson, oldest of their family of 18 children, was born March 15, 1906, in Greene Co., Ohio. He left us to be with his Lord on Sunday evening, June 12, 1988, at the age of 82, from Greene Memorial Hospital, Xenia, following an illness of several months.

He and Frances Ginn were united in marriage March 19, 1927. Their life together was blessed with 1 daughter.

Horace enjoyed his life on the farm, and the various farm organizations with which he was affiliated. His outgoing personality and a good sense of humor made his work with young people a special joy to him and to them.

In Sept., 1976, he and Frances were received by baptism into the Old German Baptist Church in the Bear Creek district, where they were active and helpful as long as their health permitted, and were much loved and appreciated.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dec. 7, 1987; his parents; 3 brothers, James, Thomas, and Ralph; 2 sisters, Margaret and Mary; and a great-grandson, Christopher.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Doris and Robert Rhodes; 7 sisters, Naomi Penewit, Florence Maitland, Ruth Grant, Charlotte Shock, Annabelle Spahr, Louise Fudge, and Betty Carey; 5 brothers, Paul, George, William, Joseph, and Roger; 3 grandchildren, Dennis Rhodes, Barbara Simpson, and Katy Matthews; 3 great-grandchildren, Johnathan Rhodes, and Natalie and Gerald Matthews.

During past illnesses, he asked for and received the anointing service for his strength and comfort. As in Job 5:26, "Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season," so is it with Bro. Horace.

Along with the loss his family will feel, he will be missed at the little church he loved to attend and by the congregation with whom he enjoyed fellowship, but for he and his "Francie," the "better time ahead" has come.

Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday, June 15, by the undersigned, assisted by Elder Everett Fullmer. The text used was John 11:28, along with hymns 403 and 455. Burial service at Jamestown Cemetery was conducted by Elder Kenneth Miller.

J. William Miller

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Father looked in that distance, no doubt
oft before,
Running now with compassion, he kissed
him once more.
It seems that adversity has a way of revealing
The lack of humility — makes an unworthy
feeling.

Now this son so it seemed, was dead and was
lost,
And had given his life at a very high cost,
Again he's alive, he was lost, now he's found,
So it is with us all, if for heaven we're bound.

— Daniel M. Hess, Bringhurst, Ind.

HAND-IN-HAND
Bill Carr

I have a friend who always hears
Each pray'r that I may pray,
And walks in silence with me
Each step along life's way.

He never fails to comfort me
When things don't turn out right,
And I can always count on Him
In day, or darkest night.

His hand is always there in mine
To guide me lest I stray,
To pick me up if I should fall,
And help me find my way.

He quiets every aching
Every sorrow in my breast,
He takes each fear and hurt away
And tells me what is best.

And every day that dawns for me
Is just the way He planned,
Down life's path together
With Jesus, Hand-in-Hand.

Sel. by Helen Fingerle,
North Manchester, Ind.

OBITUARIES

RIDGWAY — Duane Edward, son of Charles and Jessie (Filbrun) Ridgway, was born July 13, 1955, at Anderson, Indiana. He peacefully passed from this life in the early morning hours of June 7, 1988, at St. John's Medical Center, Anderson, Indiana, after an illness of one and one half years.

Duane accepted his Lord, was baptized and was a member of Morning Star Church at Alexandria, Indiana.

He was united in marriage with Melanie K. Brewer, who survives. Others surviving are 2 young daughters, Jessica Erin and Jamie Ellen; his parents; 2 brothers, Darrell and Steven; 3 sisters, Linda Miller, Leanna Collins, and Betty Skiles; and his maternal grandmother, Bessie Filbrun. He also leaves several nieces and nephews.

He will be greatly missed by his family. He was a very caring husband, father, son, brother, and friend.

In 1982, Duane moved his family to Cookville, Tennessee. In about a year he entered Tennessee Tech., majoring in Mechanical Engineering. He received his degree in March, 1987, but his health never permitted him to make use of it. The family moved back to Pendleton in July, 1987.

Funeral services were conducted June 10, at Robert Loose Funeral Home with Pastors Dave Noel and Ray Renner officiating. Burial was at Pleasant Valley Cemetery, there to await the Resurrection Morn.

The Family

FINGERLE — Daniel A., son of Abraham and Elizabeth (Wagoner) Fingerle, was born July 29, 1898, near Lincoln, Nebraska, while his parents were enroute to Indiana. There he lived until 1910, when he moved with his parents to Flint, Michigan.

He departed this life on June 12, 1988, at the age of 89 years, 10 months, and 14 days.

He was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church in July, 1916. On March 24, 1988, he called for the anointing by the Elders from which he received much comfort.

On May 30, 1917, he was united in marriage with Anna Maud Miller, and together they shared 71 years of much happiness. To this union were born 9 children.

Left to mourn his passing are his companion; 7 children, Bro. Kenneth and companion, Sister Anna, Bro. Robert and companion, Sister Gladys, Sister Elsie and companion, Bro. Robert Geiser, Sister Pauline and companion, Bro. Ralph Miller, Bro. Chester and companion, Sister Helen, Bro. Donald and companion, Sister Betty, Doris and companion, Dale Kelsey; 20 grandchildren; 50 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren; 1 brother, Bro. Paul and companion, Sister Zelma.

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Preceding him in death were his parents; 1 son; 1 daughter; 1 grandson; 1 brother; and 1 sister.

He was a kind and loving husband, father, and grandfather. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 14, at 10:00 a.m., at the North Manchester meetinghouse by Elder Clarence Reavis, assisted by Elders Donald Brubaker and Orvel Gish. The text used was Heb. 13:20,21. Hymns used were 423 and 260. Burial was in the North Manchester Church Cemetery, there to await the resurrection morning. While the grave was being filled, hymns 425, 494, 506, 396, and 483 were sung.

We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

The Family

SKILES — Leah, of rural route Nappanee, died June 13, 1988, at the age of 93 years. She was born Nov. 19, 1894, to Henry J. and Susan (Wise) Cripe, of Carroll Co., Indiana.

Leah was united in marriage with Edward Royer Jan. 28, 1928. To this union were born 2 sons, Raymond, and Herman with whom she made her home the past ten and one half years.

Edward preceded her in death Nov. 12, 1964.

On March 10, 1966, she was united in marriage with David Skiles, who preceded her in death on Aug. 13, 1969.

Early in life she confessed the Lord Jesus Christ as her Saviour and called for Christian baptism. She remained a faithful member of the Old Brethren Church until her death.

Also surviving are 4 stepsons, David Royer, Silas Skiles, Harvey Skiles, and Clement Skiles; 2 stepdaughters, Lydia Kinsley, and Rhoda Beckner; 1 brother, Samuel Cripe; 14 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and a number of stepgrandchildren, stepgreat-grandchildren, and stepgreat-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her parents; 1 stepdaughter, Sarah Wagoner; 2 sisters, Elizabeth Cripe and Mary Skiles; and 3 brothers, Jacob, Ezra, and Daniel.

Leah greatly enjoyed her association with church members and family, especially "the little folks" grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held June 16, at 9:00 a.m., at the home and 10:00 a.m., at the Old Brethren Church, near Wakarusa, Indiana. Hymns used were 392, 384, 393, and 455. Her body was laid to rest in the North Union Cemetery to await the return of the Lord.

The Family

MEADOR — Bessie Irene, daughter of Harrison G. and Mary C. (Clear) Rule, was born June 27, 1904, near Rossville, Indiana, and resided near Rossville all her life. She passed away June 19, 1988, at 5:30 a.m., making her sojourn in this life 83 years, 11 months, and 23 days.

She was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church on Sept. 9, 1924, to which she remained faithful until death.

On Nov. 1, 1923, she was united in marriage with Robert J. Meador and together they shared the joys and sorrows of life for over 64 years. To this union were born 3 sons.

She is survived by her loving husband, who so patiently cared for her in her illness; 3 sons and their wives, Robert and Betty, Dallas and Doris, and Harold and Phyllis; 1 brother, Lloyd A. Rule; 14 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her parents; 2 brothers, Arthur and Clarence Rule; 1 grandchild; and 1 great-grandchild.

Mother was in failing health due to heart problems for several years. She resided in Milner Community Health Care Center for one and one half years. During her illness she was anointed with oil which gave her much comfort. Mother enjoyed her family and grandchildren, and spent many hours caring for her family and their needs. She enjoyed sewing and tending her flowers and garden.

Brief services were held June 22, in the Brown-Bodine Funeral Home at Rossville, followed by services in the Middle Fork meetinghouse at 10:00 a.m., with the home brethren officiating. Scriptures used were Prov. 31:10-31 and 2 Tim. 4:6-8. Hymns used were 453, 455, and 385 in the services, and 403 at the graveside.

The Family

SWEARINGEN — James Brenner, son of James Albin and Virgin (Onkst) Swearingen, was born May 19, 1908, in Dayton, Ohio. At the age of 12, he moved with his parents to

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Whittier, California. On June 1, 1930, he was united in marriage with Vanice Shoup in the red brick house that was to become their home in later years. On Jan. 25, 1931, Brenner and Vanice were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church at Whittier. Early in life he learned the art of cutting meat for retail sale. He enjoyed this work along with farming.

Three sons were born at New Carlisle, Ohio. On June 24, 1988, Dad departed this life at Kettering Hospital in Dayton, Ohio.

Surviving to cherish his memory are his wife of over 58 years; 3 sons and their wives, Dale and Joan, Richard and Delma, Jerald and Bonnie; 10 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Helen Denlinger and Charlotte Edmunds; and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 28, at the Maple Grove meetinghouse, by Elders Willard Yoder and Glen Landes. Burial was made at the New Carlisle Cemetery, with Elder Dennis Landes officiating.

The Family

REAVIS — Roy Chester, son of Henry J. and Mary (Long) Reavis, was born in Clinton Co., near Rossville, Indiana, on Aug. 16, 1910.

On March 10, 1931, he answered the call of the Master and was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, to which he remained faithful until death. On May 3, 1931, he was united in marriage with Leona Fisher. This union was blessed with 6 children. He spent his lifetime as a farmer, carpenter, and for a few years, operated a sawmill.

On Dec. 3, 1947, he with his companion was installed into the Deacon's office in the Middle Fork district where he labored faithfully as long as health permitted. In 1978, his loving companion suffered a stroke and for over six years he faithfully stood by her and did all he could to care for her until on Jan. 19, 1985, she peacefully fell asleep.

On May 11, 1986, he was united in marriage with Edith Miller Graybill, sharing together the joys of companionship for a few months. In Oct., 1986, he became ill with what he thought to be the flu, but as the days passed, he failed to improve. His body continued to weaken, until on Sunday, July 3, 1988, at 11:40 a.m., he peacefully fell asleep with his companion and children gathered around his bed, in the home where he had lived for many years. His lifespan was 77 years, 10 months, and 17 days.

He is survived by his companion; the following children: Sister Emily, with her husband, Bro. Jerry Bauman, Bro. Richard, with his wife, Sister Bonnie, Bro. Clarence, with his wife, Sister Ardis, Sister Mary, with her husband, Bro. Harley Helmuth, and Sister Ruth Elaine; 6 stepchildren, Sister Ida Mae Graybill, Bro. Dennis Graybill, Merle Graybill, Anita Blocher, Bruce Graybill, and Brent Graybill; 15 grandchildren; 23 great-grand children; 18 stepgrandchildren; 15 stepgreat-grandchildren; 1 sister, Sister Ruby, with her husband, Elder Herman Shuman; 1 brother, Bro. Paul and his wife, Sister Thelma; and many relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents; 1 son, Morris Earl; 1 brother; and 2 sisters.

During his failing health he was cared for by his companion and children. Realizing his condition, he called for the anointing which gave him much comfort. As he lay helpless on his bed, he received much joy listening to the good old songs, which he enjoyed so much when he was able to sing. Though we sorrow and will miss him, yet we rejoice to know he is safe at home with the Lord.

Funeral services were held in the Middle Fork church at 10:00 a.m., July 6, by the home brethren. The text used was I John 3:1,2 and Rev. 14:13. Hymns used were 167, 459, and 284 at the church. The body was lovingly laid to rest in the church cemetery, using hymns 477, 481, and 498.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."

Ezra H. Wagoner

FLORY — David Austin, son of David W. and Effie M. (Hartman) Flory, was born Oct. 14, 1908, in Clark Co., Ohio, where he resided his entire life. After a lengthy illness, he peacefully departed this life to be with the Lord in the afternoon of July 10, 1988, at the age of 79 years and 8 months.

On Feb. 14, 1932, he was united in marriage with Goldie Marie Sullenbarger. The Lord blessed this union with 3 daughters and 2 sons.

Father, along with his bride of 7 months, accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior and was

received by baptism in Sept. 1932, into the fellowship of the Old German Baptist Church (Donnels Creek district) and remained faithful in the service of the Lord.

He enjoyed the beauty of God's creation, the trees, flowers, and birds, along with his occupation of farming and fence building. He was a very patient person who enjoyed times of fellowship with family and friends. Affectionately called "Pop" by his children, they with the grandchildren, have many precious memories to cherish of special times spent with him.

Twice during his extended illness, he requested the anointing service, from which he gained much comfort. Mother lovingly cared for him at their home as long as she could, but failing health made it necessary to place him in a nursing home in July, 1983. There, Mother still helped to care for him, going nearly every day to be at his side.

He is survived by his loving companion of 56 years, who so devotedly cared for him; 5 children and their companions, Doris Bess and husband, Kenneth, David L. and wife, Jane, Marvin and wife, Ruth, Shirley Bowman and husband, Dwaine, and Nancy Truebenbach and husband, Ray; 2 sisters, Verna Teach, and Nellie Garber and husband, Robert; 14 grandchildren; and 6 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were 2 brothers; 4 sisters; and 1 granddaughter.

Services were held July 13, at 9:45 a.m., in the Trostel-Chapman Funeral Home, New Carlisle, and at 10:30 a.m., in the Donnels Creek meetinghouse, with the home brethren and Elder Carl Bowman officiating. Hymns used were 403, 494, 455, and 483. Comforting words were expressed from Ps. 23, John 14:1-6, Rom. 8:18, 2 Cor. 4:17,18, and Matt. 24:44.

Although he will be missed by family and friends, we rejoice in the assurance that he is in the care and safekeeping of our Heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

The Family

LENTZ — Martha Leota Reed, daughter of William and Cora (Hunsaker) Reed, was born in Van Wert Co., Ohio, Aug. 17, 1904. She passed away on July 15, 1988, thus making her earthly sojourn 83 years, 10 months, and 29 days.

She married George Kyle who preceded her in death. On Aug. 11, 1940, she was united in marriage with Henry Harmon Lentz, who preceded her in death on Feb. 6, 1978. Surviving are 7 children: Mrs. Donald (Pauline) Wilcox, Cloyce Lentz, Joyce Austin, Lowell Lentz, Harmon Lentz, Lola Cox, and Mrs. Ralph (Judy) Long Sr.; 4 sisters: Edith Sharp, Margaret Flora, Treva Lapham, and Marjorie Decker; 23 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

One daughter, Adelaide Cox, preceded her in death.

She lived and died in the faith of the Old German Baptist Church, being baptized on Nov. 29, 1941. She was deeply devoted to her family and the Church. We bid her farewell in full confidence of meeting again in our Heavenly Home.

The brethren conducted the funeral service at Ash Grove. The text for the service was taken from 2 Tim. 4:6-8, and hymns 494 and 552 were used. The body was then laid to rest in the Ash Grove Cemetery.

The Family

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Thy tender mercy and Thy love,
Surrounded everywhere!

Oh, draw us closer, closer, Lord;
Protect us from all harm;
Keep holding us secure and safe
In Thy dear precious arms.

O Father, draw us closer yet,
Remind us of Thy will;
Closer and closer drawn to Thee,
Lord, even closer still.

— Tom and Betty Eller, Cleveland, Ga.

MEDITATIONS
Ruth Garber

In meditating on the past
We see God's wondrous ways;
If we would do the planning
We would have all joyous days.

God sends us cares and crosses
To help us better know,
If we never had a care
The soul would never grow.

When we do our meditating
Let us never selfish be;
But always pray for others
Who may have more cares than we.

Charity, the greatest blessing,
Makes believers all as one;
Helps the "Bride of Christ" prepare
To hear the words, "Well Done."

Sel. by Kathryn Denlinger, Bradford, Ohio

AT CLOSE OF DAY

Sometimes when evening sun sinks low,
And shadows steal in on tip-toe;
When fire-flies blink their beacon lights,
And swallows slake their appetites;

Sometimes when the first star I see,
And bird songs cease their melody;
When zephyrs whisper in the pines,
And night falls with its thousand signs,

It's then, when work is laid aside,
I reminisce at eventide,
And love to sit and meditate
On the day's blessings, small and great.

The day is not without its care,
But the assurance, God is there
To give me strength in every loss,
Helps lift the weight of many a cross.

My feet are oft inclined to slip,
Save for the Spirit's fellowship;
He shuts my lips and makes them dumb
When unkind words are on my tongue.

Sometimes I sin against my Lord,
Trespass upon His sacred Word;
But when He hears my anguished cry,
I know forgiving grace is nigh.

And when I count blessings like this,
And think on promised future bliss,
I can but praise Him and exclaim,
"My God is good, Great is His name."

Some eventide I'll close my day,
And in the afterglow I pray:
A soul may meditate and find
This Great God, Savior of mankind.

— Willard Yoder, Brookville, Ohio

SAFELY HOME

I am home in Heaven dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.
All the pain and grief is over.
Every restless tossing passed.
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in Heaven at last.
Did you wonder how I so calmly
Trod the valley of the shade?
Oh, but Jesus love illumined
Every dark and fearful glade,
And He came Himself to meet me
In that way so hard to tread,
And with Jesus' arm to lean on
Could I have one doubt to dread?
Then you must not grieve so sorely,
For I love you dearly still.
Try to look beyond life's shadows;
Pray to trust our Father's will.
There is work still waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand.
Do it now while life remaineth,
You shall rest in Jesus' land.
When that work is all completed
He will gently call you home.
Oh, the rapture of that meeting!
Oh, the joy to see you come

Sel. by Elsie Mills, Spanishburg, W. Va.

OBITUARIES

LAYMAN — Andrew David, beloved son of Lonnie L. and Cecilia (Maher) Layman, was born March 18, 1970, at Lima, Ohio. His life was suddenly taken in an auto accident on

July 7, 1988, at the age of 18 years, 3 months, and 19 days.

Andrew loved life. He always wanted to be working and busy. The joy of his life was to work with his Dad in the cabinet business. His brothers and sister were very dear to him. Home had become precious. Andrew loved people and had many friends. In his last year with us, Andrew had grown and made many good changes in his young life, but alas, God's time is not always our time, and he was taken.

He is survived by his parents; 3 brothers, Gregory, Timothy, and Stephen; and 1 sister, Jennifer. His family circle included grandparents, William J. and Mildred Layman, and Carroll F. and Nedra Pugsley; many uncles, aunts, and cousins, so precious and special. We all loved him dearly, but now our family circle is broken and we feel our loss keenly.

Brief services were held on Sunday, July 10, in the Chiles and Son-Laman Funeral Home at Lima, followed by services in the Ash Grove meetinghouse at 10:30 a.m., with the home brethren officiating. Ps. 23 was read. Hymns 150, 69, 455, and 494 were used. His body was lovingly laid to rest in the Ash Grove Cemetery. We leave Andrew in the hands of a wise and all merciful God, who knows all and sees all, and whose ways are higher than our ways.

The Family

FRANTZ — Garst L., of West Charleston, Ohio, passed away July 10, 1988, at the age of 94 years, 1 month, and 11 days. He was born on May 29, 1894, in Bethel Twp., Miami Co., Ohio.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Simeon and Elnora (Garst) Frantz; his wife of 54 years, Maude (Ernswiler) Frantz; his son, John S. Frantz; his daughter, Ada Belle Lemons; his brother, John Frantz; and his sister, Ethel Dysinger.

Garst is survived by 4 daughters, Alice Fisher, Pearl Hines, Lucille and Jacob Reichert, and Mary and Joe Jones; 16 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and 6 great-great-grandchildren.

Garst was a faithful member of the Maple Grove Old German Baptist Church, having been baptized there in July, 1916, and attended 72 consecutive communions in that district.

He asked for and received the anointing service June 5, 1988, from which he received comfort.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., July 13, in the Maple Grove meetinghouse by the home brethren. Hymns used were 483, 475, and 494.

Burial was in Myers Cemetery, North Hampton, Ohio.

The Family

DENLINGER — Ralph H., son of Vernon and Mina (Deeter) Denlinger, was born in Montgomery Co., Ohio, Nov. 7, 1899. His spirit took its flight July 15, 1988, after an extended illness, making his sojourn on earth 88 years, 8 months, and 8 days.

He was united in marriage with Mary M. Benedict, Jan. 3, 1924. Together they shared the joys and sorrows of life for 64 years.

He so quietly cherished his children and grandchildren coming home to visit and enjoyed the fellowship of the brethren.

They were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, May 13, 1925, to which he lived faithful until passing from time to eternity. He called for the anointing service in April, 1988, which gave him great comfort.

He was a farmer at heart, and his life was spent on a farm close to where he grew to manhood. There were many, many hours spent in getting ready for market. After retiring, he was able to pursue another ambition. His wood-working items are now cherished pieces in the homes of his children and grandchildren.

He is survived by his companion; 2 daughters, and 1 son, Lois V. Avery, R. Ezra Denlinger, and Mabel L Denlinger; 1 brother, Marlin L Denlinger; 8 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by 1 daughter, Emma R. Miller; 1 son, Karl V. Denlinger; 1 granddaughter, Claudia J. Lehman; and 2 great-grandsons, Darin Lehman and Darvin Lehman.

A brief service was held at Rogers Funeral Home and continued at the Stillwater church by the home brethren. The text was from 1 Thess. 4:13-18. Hymns used were 522, 552, 455, and 389. Burial was in the Stillwater Cemetery.

We wait in hope on the promise given.

The Family

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COOK — Beulah May, daughter of James H. and Rilla May (LaRue) Arnold, was born May 19, 1908, in Hancock Co., Ohio. She departed this life July 19, 1988, at St. Rita's Hospital in Lima, Ohio, after suffering a serious heart-attack on July 10, 1988, making her sojourn on earth 80 years, and 2 months.

After suffering the heart-attack on the morning of July 10, she was taken to St. Rita's Hospital, where her heart was encouraged to beat again with the aid of a temporary pacemaker. Her mind being clear, she then asked for, and received the anointing service, which gave her much comfort.

On June 5, 1929, she was united in marriage with Orvin S. Cook who survives. Realizing her need for a Saviour, she, with her companion, was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, Ash Grove district, May 17, 1931, and lived a consistent Christian life until death.

In her early years she was a school teacher. She, with her companion served as foster parents to many children for several years. Sister Beulah also enjoyed a specialty cake-decorating service for relatives and friends.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her devoted companion; 1 sister, Mrs. Max (Lucille) Boroff; several in-laws; nieces; nephews; and a host of friends.

Funeral services were conducted July 22, 1988, in the Ash Grove meetinghouse by the home brethren. Burial was made in the Ash Grove Cemetery.

We feel our loss is her eternal gain.

Steven Kingery

WISE — Carl, youngest son of Noah and Lizzie (Wagoner) Wise, was born in Carroll Co, Indiana, Nov. 1, 1899, and passed away at the Home Hospital, Lafayette, Indiana, July 26, 1988, at the age of 88 years, 8 months, and 25 days.

On Feb. 8, 1922, he was united in marriage with Ruth M. Harter. She preceded him in death on Nov. 18, 1963. To this union were born 3 children, 2 sons and 1 daughter. On Aug. 18, 1965, he married Emily (Root) Yoder.

Surviving with the widow are the children and their companions, Bro. Robert W. and Sister Mary, Bro. Ralph D. and Sister Carmen, and Sister Helen Shively and Bro. Robert. Also surviving are 6 grandchildren and their companions and 12 great-grandchildren. Preceding him in death was 1 grandson.

On Sept. 20, 1953, he accepted his Saviour, and was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church in which faith he faithfully lived until called to his eternal home.

June 1986, he suffered a stroke from which he never completely recovered. July 2, he called for the anointing service from which he received much comfort. Early in the morning of July 4, he was admitted to the hospital. He peacefully passed away in the early morning hours of July 26.

Dad spent his entire life as a farmer in Carroll Co., retiring in 1972. Being an active person up until the time of his affliction, he set an example in patience to all who knew him. He was especially interested in young people, and enjoyed the visits and activities of his grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Thursday, July 28, at 9:00 a.m., at Reinke Funeral Home in Flora, and at 10:00 a.m., in the North Fork meetinghouse with the home brethren officiating. The text used was Rev. 21:7. Hymns used were 403 and 455. His body was laid to rest in the Maple Lawn Cemetery at Flora, where hymn 389 was used.

The Family

WEAVER — Ruth L., was born to the late Clayton F. and Sarah J. Weaver in York Co., Pennsylvania, on July 18, 1905, and passed from this life on Sunday morning, July 31, 1988, at the Reading Hospital, Reading, Berks Co., Pennsylvania, making her life span 83 years, and 13 days.

She was baptized at an early age into the Church of the Brethren, and in later life into the Old German Baptist Brethren Church, in which she was faithful.

Ruth remained at home on the farm, enjoying farm life until about the time of her mother's passing. At this time she was having heart difficulties, due to rheumatic fever at a young age. In 1970, she had open heart surgery, resulting in her having quite a few more years of activity and travel.

Ruth will be remembered by her family and many friends for her courageous spirit in facing her physical problems, and the enjoy-

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ment she had in church fellowship.

She was preceded in death by her parents; 3 brothers, Forrest, Monroe, and Paul; and 1 sister, Esther Hilty.

Surviving are 3 sisters, Sister Sara E., Sister Anna M., wife of Bro. John W. Wolfe, and Helen M. Brintzenhoff; 2 nieces, who were as close as sisters, Mary Ellen Wolfe and Susan, wife of John Lehigh; another brother-in-law, Clarence Hilty; and many nieces; nephews; and cousins.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Aug. 3, at the Lancaster meetinghouse near Ephrata, Pennsylvania, by the home brethren, Elder Robert Matthews, Elder Eldon Flory, and Minister Jerre Longenecker. Scriptures used were Ps. 90, and Rev. 22:1-5,14. Hymns used were 384, 393, and 414. Burial took place in the adjoining cemetery in hope of the first resurrection.

The Family

METZGER — Mabel E., daughter of Daniel and Ida M. (Clark) Miller, was born May 29, 1902, at R. 5, Menomonie, Dunn Co., Wisconsin. She passed away in her home at 24643 C.R. 40, Goshen, Indiana, on August 7, 1988, at the age of 86 years, 2 months, and 10 days.

She was married to Harvey R. Metzger, at her home, on Nov. 1, 1922. They were blessed with more than 61 years of life together until his death on March 26, 1984. To this union were born 2 sons and 6 daughters.

In April, 1944, they, with their children moved to Elkhart Co., Indiana.

She and her companion were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church at Goshen, Indiana, in May, 1944. She remained steadfast to this call and commitment until death.

She is survived by her children, Alvin W. and Betty Metzger, Wilma and Glen Purdue, Joyce and Eldo Brovont, Olive and Paul Stull, Carol and Herman Royer, Ruth and Willard Wrightsman, Bonnie and Joe Blocher, and Glen and Martha Metzger; 2 sisters, Edith Reavis, and Betty Hufford; 38 grandchildren; and 68 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; 1 sister, Phoebe Flora; 4 brothers, Marvin, Wesley, Benjamin, and Jacob; and 3 grandchildren, Kevin, Kenneth, and Rosalee Wrightsman.

Services were conducted by the home brethren at 9:15 a.m., on Aug. 10, at the Leinhart Funeral Home, where hymn 422 was used, and at 10:00 a.m., at the Yellow Creek meetinghouse. The text used was Mark 14:9 and Prov. 31:10. Hymns used were 384, 260, and 457. Hymn 403 was used at the cemetery service, and hymns 430 and 389 were sung during the closing of the grave. Her body awaits the return of the Lord in the Yellow Creek Old German Baptist Cemetery. We are left to cherish many precious memories.

The Family

MARSHALL — Mary Catherine, daughter of Samuel A. and Mary Francis (Swartz) Rodeffer, was born May 9, 1905, at the Rodeffer home on Lexington Road near Eaton, Ohio. She was called home from this life on the evening of Aug. 12, 1988, at the age of 83 years, 3 months, and 3 days.

At about the age of nine years, she confessed the Lord Jesus as her Saviour and was baptized into the fellowship of the Church of the Brethren by Elder J. Fletcher Deaton. She attended services at the Wheatville and Beech Grove church houses, and when Upper Twin Church of the Brethren felt the need for a congregational presence in the town of Eaton, she became a charter member at that place in 1926.

On Jan. 25, 1930, she was united in marriage with Paul J. Marshall, who preceded her in death in Aug., 1956. Four brothers and 1 sister also preceded her in death. They are John C., Lawrence F., Myers R., Chelsea S., and sister Fern, who died in infancy.

Mary was deeply devoted to her church, serving as Annual Conference delegate in 1962 (Ocean Grove, N.J.). She also served as a delegate to District Meeting and as a Sunday School teacher to the Primary and Junior children.

As a mother, she was kind and loving and giving in sacrifice for her children, especially in meeting John's needs as he lived and worked on the home farm with her after her husband's death.

She continued at the home place as long as she was able, thereafter staying with her son, Paul, for awhile, and then spending the last 2 years of her life at Heartland Care Center.

She received comfort in seeing her children and grandchildren make their own commitments to the Lord.

She is survived by 2 sons, Paul H., and John S.; 2 sisters, Dorothy Rexrode, and Martha Driver; 5 grandsons, and 1 granddaughter.

Funeral services were held 10:30 a.m., Aug. 16, by Pastor Ellis G. Guthrie and Dean Garrett, at the Eaton Church of the Brethren. Burial was at Mound Hill Cemetery, there to await the resurrection morn.

Dean Garrett

AUKERMAN — Forest T., was born on Feb. 13, 1902, near Palestine, Ohio, son of Joshua and Vernah Ethel (Frantz) Aukerman. In 1906, the family moved to Medway, Ohio, and Forest lived on the same farm for 41 years. His young mother passed away in 1916. Forest and his father spent the winter of 1920-21 at Whittier, California, where his father was married to Etta Meador.

Forest was married on Oct. 18, 1923, to Carrie Denlinger, daughter of Andrew and Bertha Denlinger of Trotwood, Ohio. They lived on the family potato farm, where they experienced the joys and sorrows of life.

To this union were born 4 children, Harold, Bonnie, Betty, and Barbara. On Sept. 27, 1929, little Harold, age 4, was accidentally killed when he fell from a potato wagon.

Realizing true happiness was only by living for the Lord, Forest and Carrie accepted Him, and were baptized in Aug., 1929, into the Old German Baptist Church.

In 1947, the Aukerman family moved to Modesto, California, and Forest continued in farming, mainly rice.

Carrie passed away suddenly on Nov. 10, 1965. Forest was married to Treva (Bowser) Filbrun on April 29, 1967, and they lived at Modesto.

For the past 8 years, Forest experienced poor health, but he still attended church services whenever he could and enjoyed visiting with his beloved family and friends.

He entered Memorial Hospital, Modesto, on Aug. 6, and asked for the anointing on Aug. 8, which gave him much comfort. Quietly, just as he had lived his gentle and kind life, he went to be with his Lord early in the morning of Aug. 13, 1988, at the age of 86 years and 6 months.

Lovingly, he will be remembered by his wife, Treva; 3 daughters, Bonnie Bauman, Betty King, and Barbara Grover; 3 stepchildren, Bonnie June Shoup, Ronald Filbrun, and Bruce Filbrun; 15 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren; 11 stepgrandchildren; 14 stepgreat-grandchildren; 1 aunt, Dora Frantz; cousins; and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1970, and his stepmother in 1974.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." To live for Jesus, redeemed by his blood, assures our reigning with Him.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Aug. 15, at 2:00 p.m., in the Modesto district church. Elder Aaron Miller opened, Bro. Gordon Rumble had the message, and Elder Roger Gish had the graveside service. Hymns 455 and 483 were used at the church, 494 and others during the filling of the grave in the Wood Colony Cemetery.

The Family

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God is in every tomorrow,
Therefore I live for today,
Certain of finding at sunrise,
Guidance and strength for the way.
Power for each moment of weakness,
Hope for each moment of pain,
Comfort for every sorrow,
Sunshine and joy after rain.

Sel. by Doris Callaway, Roann, Ind.

OBITUARIES

METZGER — Flora Hazel, daughter of Simon and Laura (Coning) Boocher, was born Aug. 26, 1900, in Wabash Co., Indiana. Shortly after breakfast on Aug. 17, 1988, her spirit quietly and peacefully departed and went back to God, who had originally given it, her life's pilgrimage being 87 years, 11 months, and 21 days.

The first 18 years of her life were spent in a home where she was nourished both in body and spirit. As she began to mature, her thoughts began to be focused on a companion for life. She found love, sharing, and caring in a young man, Ralph Metzger. Their friendship developed into a marriage on Oct. 25, 1919. Their life together of almost 69 years was very typical. There were 2 children born to this family, Arden, and Mrs. Loren (Helen) Miller. This young family had some hardships and sorrows, but the joys that they experienced helped them to appreciate their life together. Also, later in life little William Arden (Billy) Coning came to live with them for several years, which was a highlight in their life.

Flora recognized a missing factor in her life. In Aug., 1920, she was received into The Old German Baptist Church by baptism, to which she remained faithful until life's end. She and her husband were janitors of the church for a number of years, a work they thoroughly enjoyed.

She is survived by her loving and caring companion; their 2 children; and 2 brothers, Noah, and Clark. The fond memories of a loving grandma will be remembered by 3 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; 7 stepgrandchildren; and 17 stepgreat-grandchildren; and other relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents; 1 half brother; 2 half sisters; and 2 full sisters.

In her productive years she enjoyed her garden, flowers, and her chickens, but in later years those interests began to fade. She found that she no longer had the strength for some of those activities and eventually had to forget them all. She developed a heart problem, and in keeping with her faith called for the anointing service, which was administered by the Brethren. They moved to Timbercrest Church of the Brethren Home in Dec., 1984, where they resided at the time of her passing. Flora consistently commended the home for their wonderful care and assistance.

This brings to a close the life of a Mother in Israel.

On Friday morning, Aug. 19, a short service was held at the mortuary with the reading of Psalm 90, and prayer. A funeral was conducted in the North Manchester church at 10:30 a.m., for the family and a group of sympathizing relatives and friends. The service was opened by the undersigned and concluded with a message of comfort, consolation, and encouragement by Elder Clement Skiles. The text used was John 16:22, with reference also being made to Mother, Home, and Heaven. The service was closed with the reading of a poem, *Goodnight Dear Wife*, and prayer. The committal service, which consisted of reading Psalm 23, and an appropriate prayer was held in the church cemetery.

Donald Brubaker

MILLER — Sara Lou, infant daughter of Bro. David and Sister Sara (Cook) Miller, was born and died early Sunday morning, Aug. 21, 1988.

Having shared our joyous expectations, she will be sorely missd by her grandparents, Bro. Eli and Sister Edna Miller, and Elder Harry and Sister Laura Cook; great-grandparents, Albert Lehman, Bro. Clarence and Sister Beulah Cook, Bro. Charles and Sister Evelyn Hollinger; great-great-grandmothers, Ruth Hollinger and Sister Ruth Long; aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Graveside services were held at Pleasant Valley Cemetery near Pendleton, Indiana, on Aug. 23, at 5:00 p.m., by Elder Herman Shuman. We received comfort from the text in John 14:1, Prov. 14:26, Ps. 139:10-18,

Rom. 8:28, and hymns 369 and 445.

May God be praised for the precious time with little Sara and the invaluable experience which we pray will strengthen and help us to remain faithful so that we may someday be where she is.

The Parents

JARBOE — Kathryn Margaret, one of 7 children of Henry and Savilla (Long) Wolf, was born at Quinter, Kansas, on July 31, 1901. She grew to womanhood on a farm near there, attending a country school, and taught in one for a short time.

She was united in marriage with Samuel Jarboe on June 5, 1920. Their life together spanned a little more than 65 years. They lived at Quinter, until 1947, when the family moved to Modesto, California. Their married son, Russell, stayed in Kansas on the family farm.

Their home was blessed with 5 children; Warren, Russell, Eileen Barton, Leola Landes, and Wayne. Two children, Warren and Eileen, and 1 grandchild, Suzanne Jarboe, preceded Mother to the better place. Daddy and Mother accepted the Lord and were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church in Sept. 1928. She faithfully attended services as long as health permitted, and received the blessings of the anointing service 8 days before her passing.

Mother's life calls to mind the woman in Prov. 31. She was willing and able to work with her husband to provide the necessary things for her family. Their early married years were spent farming in Kansas during the dust bowl years, and into better times. After moving to California, she worked at various things, including working with Sam in planning and building homes.

She never tired of gardening and giving — to family, friends, and those in need. For over 3 years she lived at English Oaks and still demonstrated a desire to help those around her, never complaining, endearing herself to many there.

Her children and grandchildren will remember, with gratitude to the Lord, her love and concern for them, and for the many times she arranged for us to meet, working, eating, singing, and playing together, often including others.

We will especially remember her generous spirit, and that she believed one of the purposes of life was to help others.

Mother passed peacefully from this life to be with the Lord on Tuesday, Aug. 23, 1988, at the age of 87 years and 23 days. She is survived by 2 sons, Russell and companion, Velvyn, Wayne and companion, Marcele; 1 daughter, Leola Landes and companion, Don; a son-in-law, Earl Barton; a daughter-in-law, Mary Jane Jarboe; 18 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; 3 sisters, Edith Baker, Edna Boone, and Lola Miller; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Aug. 25, at 2:30 p.m., in the Modesto church. Bro. Gordon Rumble opened, Bro. Edward Gish had the message, and Elder Aaron Miller had the graveside service. Hymns 103 and 451 were used at the church, 123 and *What a Day That Will Be*, at the burial. She was laid to rest beside her husband in the Wood Colony Cemetery.

The Family

GISH — Vida Pearl, daughter of David W. and Minnie Alice (Woodbridge) Boyd, was born on May 3, 1897, near Virginia, in Gage Co., Nebraska, where she spent her youth. The family moved to California in 1913, returning to Nebraska in 1915.

At the Center View district of the Old German Baptist Church in Nebraska, Vida and 2 of her cousins, Hiva Grover and Belle Kessler, were baptized on Oct. 5, 1915, by Elder Henry Brubaker.

In 1919, the family again returned to Modesto. On Dec. 4, 1924, she and Albert W. Gish were united in marriage by Elder Simeon Frantz.

For 41 years, they resided on a farm close to Salida, where they lived an active farming life and raised their 3 children. Later, they moved to a home on Dakota Avenue, where she lived until 1984, when her health began to fail. She spent her sunset years at the home of her son, David. Twice during illnesses, she called for the anointing.

After a stroke on July 3, 1988, her health declined, and she spent her last weeks in the English Oaks Convalescent Hospital, Modesto, where she passed away on Aug. 31, 1988, at the age of 91 years, 3 months, and 28 days.

Dear to her heart was her natural family, having a love and concern for all of them. Her quiet and meek spirit will be a special memory to all who knew her. Also very precious to her were her brothers and sisters in the Lord, and until her health failed, she was at her place in church services.

She was preceded in death by her husband on July 8, 1972; her father in 1936, her mother in 1964; 1 brother, Harley J. Boyd; and 2 grandchildren, Aaron and Leah Gish.

This dear Mother will be remembered by her children, Sister Elnora and her husband, LaVerne Sawyer, Sister Virginia and her husband, Bro. Lawrence Peters, and Bro. David W. Gish, and his wife, Sister Velma; her beloved 12 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild; nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A life well lived for the Lord now has her victory with Him.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Sept. 3, at 9:00 a.m., in the West Modesto church. Elder Daniel Stamy opened and Elder Levi Bowman had the message. Hymns used were 384 and 455. Elder Norman Boyd officiated at the graveside service. Hymns 456, 494, 458, 403, and 423 were used during the filling of the grave in the Wood Colony Cemetery where she was laid to rest beside her husband.

The Family

FLORA — Fannie E., daughter of Moss and Mary (Boone) Meador, was born in Carroll Co., Indiana, Feb. 1, 1897. She passed away in Home Hospital, Lafayette, Indiana, Sept. 4, 1988, at the age of 91 years, 7 months, and 3 days.

She was married to William Martin, May 3, 1923. They lived in the Camden and Flora communities all their married life. He died Aug. 19, 1959.

She was a member of the Church of the Brethren for many years. She was united in marriage to Noah Flora Jan. 10, 1961. He passed away Jan. 16, 1983.

She stayed in her home and enjoyed good health, but failed in this last year. She enjoyed her last Sunday with her husband's family for a carry-in dinner. On the following Wednesday morning she had prepared her own breakfast and at about 9:00 a.m., she suffered a severe stroke. She was taken to the Home Hospital where she never regained consciousness, passing away at 2:20 a.m., Sept. 4, 1988.

She was preceded in death by her parents; 3 sisters, Olee Maxwell, Bessie Metzger, and Vanchie Crumpacker; and 1 brother, Paul Meador.

Surviving are 1 brother, Robert Meador; 1 sister, Susie Miller; 5 stepchildren, Edith Richardson, Opal Balfe, Robert Flora, Richard Flora, and Betty Thompson; 14 stepgrandchildren; 18 stepgreat-grandchildren; and 10 stepgreat-great-grandchildren.

She will be greatly missed by her many friends, her church, and especially her sister, Susie.

Services were conducted in the Lower Deer Creek Church of the Brethren by Opal Rief and John Laprad Sept. 7. Burial was in the Maple Lawn Cemetery, there to await the resurrection morn.

Robert J. Meador

SHULER — Nellie Geneviere, daughter of Elder Joel and Elizabeth (Reece) Montgomery, was born Sept. 26, 1902, near Fairview, Missouri. She peacefully passed away at 9:00 a.m., Aug. 23, 1988, at the Saint Elizabeth Hospital in Lafayette, Indiana, at the age of 85 years, 10 months, and 28 days.

On Dec. 25, 1920, she was united in marriage with Ezra A. Shuler and together they shared the joys and sorrows of life for over 62 years.

Ezra preceded her in death April 25, 1983.

On Oct. 10, 1931, she and her companion were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church, Eight Mile district, Franklin Co., Kansas, to which she remained faithful until death.

The first 17 years of their marriage was spent in Kansas. In 1937, they moved to Indiana. In 1968, they retired from farming and moved to Rossville, where she remained until death.

With her health failing, she called for the anointing service on March 17, 1987, which gave her much comfort.

During her last illness, she was lovingly cared for by nieces, nephews, several Sisters, and friends in the area. These acts of love will long be remembered.

She leaves to mourn her departure, 1 son,

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Harry Shuler; 1 brother, Oscar Montgomery; 2 sisters, Florence Ivie and Hazel Brubaker; 1 grandson; 2 granddaughters; 5 great-grandchildren; 5 sisters-in-law; and a host of friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents; 2 sisters; and 1 daughter, Marie Kessler.

Never one to be idle, she spent many hours with handwork and serving her God.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Aug. 26, in the Brown Funeral Home in Rossville, and at the North Fork meetinghouse at 10:00 a.m., by the undersigned, assisted by the North Fork home brethren. The text was from Rev. 14:12,13. Hymns used were 260, 455, 494, 456, and 393. Her body was laid to rest in the North Fork Church Cemetery by the side of her companion. We have confidence she will come forth as one of the redeemed on the glorious resurrection morning.

Melvin E. Wagoner

HANKINS — Luna May, daughter of Samuel and Matilda (Smith) Wagoner, was born Jan. 1, 1901, at Camden, Indiana, where she lived her early life, except for 4 years at Homestead, Florida. The family came to Modesto, California, in 1920, where she spent the rest of her life.

She was married in June 1, 1924, to Benjamin Rodriguez. For over 30 years, Ben and Luna operated a barber shop in Modesto. He died on Aug. 5, 1959. She was married on March 10, 1969, to Russell Hankins, who survives.

Luna was baptized on June 12, 1960, into the Old German Baptist Church. At the time of her passing, she was a member of the First Baptist Church of Modesto.

After a brief illness, she passed away at her home to be with her Lord, on Sept. 6, 1988, at the age of 87 years, 8 months, and 5 days.

She is survived by 2 sisters, Hannah Moon and Iva Bauman; and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Sept. 9, at 10:00 a.m., in the Salas Brothers Funeral Chapel, Modesto, Pastor Clifford Sexton officiating. The text was taken from Ps. 23, and 1 Thess. 4. Interment was in the Wood Colony Cemetery.

The Family

COOK — Irene, daughter of Clarence and Fairy (Renicker) Cook, was born Dec. 23, 1916, at North Manchester, Indiana, and died Sept. 11, 1988, at Wabash County Hospital, after an extended illness.

She lived most of her childhood with her grandparents in North Manchester. In later years, after the death of her mother, her grandparents, and her 2 uncles, she lived alone, until she became unable to care for herself.

On Sept. 25, 1985, she entered Peabody Retirement Community and remained there until death.

Graveside services were held on Sept. 14, with Pastor Robert Gidley officiating. Her body was buried in the Old German Baptist Church Cemetery, North Manchester, where her ancestors and entire family rest to await the Resurrection.

The Cousins

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Let me find beauty in all things.
Nor be too blind to see
The goodness in my fellowman.
That he would find in me.

Grant that my ears remain attuned
To hear the smallest sigh,
And may I lend a gentle touch
To those less sure than I.
Let me remember lessons learned,
And profit from the past,
And may I build a bridge of dreams,
That shall forever last.

Let me rejoice in simple things
I need no wealth to buy;
The scent of pine upon the wind,
A burnished copper sky.
Scarlet roses on the fence,
Sunrise through the trees,
Lord, grant that I may not outgrow
Affinity with these.

Give me a grateful heart, Lord,
Let me be satisfied
When days are less than sunny
And plans lie at low tide.
For life's a sweet adventure,
That leads to who knows where,
And love was made for sharing,
And hearts were made to care.

Sel. by Kathryn Denlinger, Bradford, Ohio

THE ANSWER

I thanked God in the evening
When the day was past and gone,
And I praised Him for His Presence
Guiding me from early dawn.

Many were the cares and problems
There arose unseen to meet,
But His Presence was my pilot
Calmly sailing o'er the deep.

So I lay aside earth's problems
Now the shades of evening fall,
Thus in peace and faith to slumber
With His Presence over all.

Sel. by Treva Flora, Brookville, Ohio

LIFE'S COMPENSATIONS

Every sunset has a sunrise,
Dawn awakes when night is through,
Summer succeeds dreary winter,
Storm clouds flee, then skies are blue.

Joy replaces tears of sorrow,
Comfort seeks to allay grief,
Healing mends the heart that's broken,
Rest gives weary souls relief.

Harvest crowns a faithful sowing,
Increase is the fruit of toil,
Goals reward the persevering,
Peace abides after turmoil.

So life has its compensations —
Not all joy and not all tears;
Even death, once "King of Terrors"
Is no more what it appears.

Since our Savior led death captive,
It is now an open door
Into greater, grander vistas
Than our souls could know before.

Now the spirit soars in rapture,
Released from this earthly clod;
Knowing "sunset has its sunrise"
For lives hid with Christ in God.

— Willard Yoder, Brookville, Ohio

WE ARE NOT ALONE

Robert E. Mortensen

How good it is to realize that God will undertake
For all who burdened, cry to Him, "Help me for Jesus' sake."
For through His Son He has for all not only sins released,
But grace for every trial of life; He keeps the soul in peace.

Sometimes when we implore the Lord to meet some special need,
It seems as if His ear is deaf, no matter how we plead.
But up above the leaden skies, He watches o'er His own,
He sees our tear-drops, hears our cry. No, we are not alone!

For every trial, care, and cross, He giveth us more grace,
And every storm-sky has its rift that shows His loving face.
Many are the afflictions of the righteous, it is true,
But He delivers, bless His name, He sees His children through.

Sel. by Treva Ankerman, Modesto, Cal.

OBITUARIES

FLORY — Iva Myrtle, daughter of Christian and Emeline (Mishler) Miller, was born April 22, 1895, in Allen Co., Ohio, and lived in this vicinity all of her life.

For over two years, since the passing of her companion on July 15, 1986, she had

been cared for in the homes of her 4 children, staying a month at a time with each family. She had been nearly bedfast for some time, but was pleasant to be around and contented with her lot. On occasion, until recent weeks, she would still sing parts of hymns that she had known from her youth.

However, on the morning of Sept. 22, 1988, in the home of the younger daughter and her companion, she peacefully answered the call of her Master at the age of 93 years, and 5 months.

On Dec. 23, 1914, she was united in marriage with Thomas H. Flory of near Covington, Ohio, and soon thereafter moved to a farm near Elida, Ohio, where they spent many years together and where the family of 2 sons and 2 daughters were born and reared.

They spent over 71 years together until his passing away, having lived later years in a home only about a mile from the home place.

Early in life she felt the need of a Saviour and accordingly was baptized into the fellowship of the Old German Baptist Brethren Church. She was a dutiful companion and Mother, faithfully helping her companion while in the office of Deacon, having been placed there in April, 1930, and then in April, 1944, into the office of the Ministry. As children, we can well remember the labor of her hands, her habitual singing and her concern for our needs, both temporal and spiritual. Having been, on different occasions, seriously close to the valley of the shadow of death, she called for the Elders of the Church, and was anointed with oil which gave her consolation and strength to live to this ripe old age.

Left to mourn her passing are 2 sons, Bro. Lester and his companion, Sister Velma, Bro. Howard and his companion, Sister Mary Jane; 2 daughters, Sister Emma Montgomery and her companion, Bro. Cabel, Sister Betty Fisher and her companion, Bro. Dale; 11 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren; and 1 sister, Sister Naomi Brovont.

Preceding her in death were 1 brother, Bro. Frank Miller; and 2 sisters, Sister Alta Peters, and Sister Alice Denlinger.

She will be sadly missed by her family, friends, church, and community, but we trust she will be welcomed "Home" on the Celestial Shore to join the chorus of angelic hosts.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, Sept. 25, at 1:00 p.m., in the Chiles-Laman Funeral Home with Elder Raymond Garber officiating, and at 2:00 p.m., at the Ash Grove meetinghouse with Elder Carl Bowman conducting the service assisted by Bro. Eugene Miller. Scripture readings were from Psalm 116 and John 11:2,9,13-15. Among the hymns used were 494, 455, 460, and 403. Interment was in the Ash Grove Cemetery with Bro. Alvin King officiating. May our loss be Mother's eternal gain.

The Family

MILLER — Elder Walter R., son of Hiram Benjamin and Myrtle (Shellabarger) Miller, was born July 16, 1909, in Darke Co., Ohio, where he spent his entire life. His life's occupation was farming. Experiencing declining health for the past several years, his spirit took its flight at the dawning of the day on Oct. 4, 1988, at Gade's Nursing Home, Greenville, Ohio, making his sojourn here 79 years, 2 months, and 17 days.

He was united in marriage with Edna Mae Davis on Jan. 27, 1933, and they spent nearly 56 years together. This union was blessed with 7 children.

Feeling the need of a Savior, he with his companion were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church in April, 1933, to which he remained faithful until death. On March 26, 1946, he was called to the Ministry and on Dec. 3, 1955, ordained to the Eldership. On July 17, 1988, he called for and received the anointing which gave him much comfort.

He was preceded in death by his parents; 1 brother, Forrest; 2 sisters, Edna Mae, and Naomi Roth; and 1 grandchild.

He is survived by his companion; the children, Melvin, David, Kenneth, Duane, Joan Flora, Gerald, and Robert; a sister, Anna Mae Ogle; a brother-in-law, Howard Roth; 40 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and many other relatives and friends.

Daddy loved and enjoyed his relationship with his family and the fellowship in the church. Although we will greatly miss him, we feel our loss is his eternal gain.

Funeral services were conducted at 9:30 a.m., at the funeral home and at 10:30 a.m., at the Palestine meetinghouse by the home brethren. Psalm 23 was read at the funeral

home with Revelation 21:1-8 being used as a text at the church. Hymns used were 401, 260, 221, and 389, with 494 being used at the cemetery. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

The Family

HEINRICH — Leland Wilbert, better known as "Lee," was born at Modesto, California, on Feb. 9, 1933, the son of Bro. Leonard and Sister Nellie (Call) Heinrich. He was reared on the family farm in the Wood Colony community, and attended the Ransom School and Modesto High School. He served two years with the United States Army.

Since 1961, Lee worked as an auto body and fender specialist, first having his own shop with his brother, Larry, and later with the Central Ready Mix of Modesto. He made many friends with his open out-going personality. Even during his long illness, he maintained his cheerful attitude.

Lee passed away on Oct. 11, 1988, at the Doctors Medical Center, Modesto, at the age of 55 years, 8 months, and 2 days.

He is survived by his companion, Angie Doerksen Heinrich; 1 son, Rick Lee Heinrich; 1 daughter, Robin Hughes; 2 stepchildren, Donald Doerksen and JoAnn Wilson; his parents; 4 grandchildren; and 2 stepgrandchildren.

His brother, Larry, preceded him in death on Sept. 2, 1982.

Many relatives and friends attended the graveside service on Friday, Oct. 14, at 10:00 a.m., in the Wood Colony Cemetery. Elder Daniel Mohler and Pastor John Hughes, Lee's son-in-law, officiated. Hymns used were 414, 423, and *How Great Thou Art*.

The Family

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The angels sang hallelujah with joy
For Mary had borne a beautiful boy.
He was to be the King of all kings;
Oh! what great joy these tidings did bring.

Even though Satan tempted Him sore,
Jesus told him to say no more.
Then He suffered — was nailed to a cross
To atone for sin and redeem the lost.

— Heidi Long, Covington, Ohio

IN THINE OWN HEART

Though Christ a thousand times
In Bethlehem be born,
If He's not born in thee
Thy soul is still forlorn.
The cross on Golgotha
Will never save thy soul,
The cross in thine own heart
Alone can make thee whole.

— Selected

SOME DAY

My soul, wait thou only upon God;
For my expectation is from him.
Trust in him at all times, ye people;
Pour out your heart before him. (Ps. 62:5,8)

"Some day," we say, and turn our eyes
Toward the fair hills of Paradise.

Some day, some time, a sweet, new rest
Shall blossom, flower-like, in each breast.

Some time, some day, our eyes shall see
The faces kept in memory.

Some day their hands shall clasp our hands
Just over in the morning lands.

Some day our ears shall hear the song
Of triumph over sin and wrong.

Some day, some time, but oh! not yet;
But we will wait and not forget

That some day all these things shall be,
And rest be given to you and me.

So wait, my friends, though years move slow,
The happy time will come, we know.

— Selected

OBITUARIES

KERLIN — Betty J., daughter of Jacob and Viola (Cooper) Kerlin, was born June 12, 1927, in Fulton Co., Pennsylvania.

At the age of 12, she was taken into the home of Bro. David and Sister Dorothy Benedict who provided for her as one of their own children.

Betty was of a quiet disposition and always attended the Old German Baptist Church with her foster parents.

On Aug. 1, 1988, she called for the Elders of the Church, confessed her faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and her desire to become a member of the Church. Due to her weakened condition, caused by an illness, which was followed by several surgeries, water baptism could not be administered. She was tenderly cared for at home by her foster mother and others until she was released from her sufferings Oct. 19, 1988, at the age of 61 years, 4 months, and 7 days.

She is survived by her foster mother, Sister Dorothy Benedict; 5 sisters; 2 brothers; and a foster brother, Marlin D. Benedict.

Funeral services were held by the home brethren of the Falling Spring district at Brown's Mill meetinghouse, Oct. 23, and her body was laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery with the assurance that her soul is in the hands of a loving God.

Donald L. Hess

BRUBAKER — Orpha M., daughter of David and Lydia (Metzger) Garber, was born Oct. 12, 1899, in Montgomery Co., Ohio. She passed away at their home, Oct. 24, 1988, at the age of 89 years and 12 days.

She was united in marriage with Ezra Brubaker, on March 17, 1918. The summer of the same year, they were baptized into the Old German Baptist faith, to which she remained faithful, until called to her eternal rest.

On June 15, 1988, she asked for, and received the anointing service which gave her much comfort.

She is survived by her devoted companion; 2 daughters and 2 sons, with their companions, Lola Fisher, Glenna Mae Miller, Donald, and Junior; 12 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; a brother-in-law, Harold Eikenberry; and a sister-in-law, Pauline Gascho.

Preceding her in death were her parents; 2 sisters; 1 brother; and 2 brothers in infancy.

Mother enjoyed serving her God and working with her flowers, gardening, and needlework.

Services were conducted by the home brethren at the Upper Twin meetinghouse on Oct. 27. Orpha was laid to rest in the Sugar Grove Cemetery near West Alexandria, Ohio.

The Family

SKILES — Andrew S., son of John S. and Susannah (Yoder) Skiles, was born near Rossville, Indiana, July 31, 1904, and died Oct. 26, 1988, at Community Hospital, Anderson, Indiana, following a brief illness.

He had lived in Anderson since 1922. He retired as parts manager at Sears, Roebuck in 1969, following 22 years of service. He had worked 22 years at Delco Remy as an assistant foreman and toolmaker. He was a member of Meadowbrook Baptist Church, where he was past chairman of the board of deacons and chairman of the board of trustees. He was president emeritus of the Red Coats at Community Hospital, assisted with Meals on Wheels, and was involved with various other organizations.

He is survived by his wife, Pauline (Lawrence) Skiles; a son, Robert A.; a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Patricia) Mikuta; 2 sisters, Dora Niccum and Martha Renicker; a half brother, Loren Skiles; 5 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 12:30 p.m., Oct. 29, at Rozelle-Johnson Funeral Service, with Dr. Samuel Dhanraj officiating. Burial was in Anderson Memorial Park Cemetery.

The Family

PERKINS — Mildred, was born on Aug. 20, 1896, in Adamsville, Michigan, daughter of Dr. Henry E. and Lucy Jane (Butler) Kinyon. When she was 3 years old, the family moved to Fullerton, Nebraska, then in 1910, they moved to San Diego, California, and on to Empire, California in 1914, where Mildred's father owned a drug store as well as practiced medicine.

Mildred was married on July 23, 1916, to Cecil Leland Perkins, and they made their home in Modesto, where Cecil worked in the post office for many years.

Mildred prepared for her teaching profession at the San Diego Normal School. Her first teaching assignment was at the New Hope School at Empire, starting in 1915. In the fall of 1916, she started at the Salida Grammer School in Salida, where she taught for 45 years, retiring in 1961. It is estimated that Mildred nurtured and taught at least 2,000 children during her years of teaching, touching young lives in so many endearing ways. Each pupil could give testimony of the loyalty of this beloved teacher. Mildred also made a significant contribution to the entire community of Salida, and in 1985, a new school was dedicated and named in her honor.

She desired to know about other cultures and peoples, and since 1928, took many trips overseas during the summer months and after her retirement. She also had visited all of the 50 states of the United States and every province in Canada.

Mildred had a deep appreciation for the spiritual needs in her life. She fully enjoyed church services and fellowship. Confessing Jesus Christ as her Savior, she was baptized on Feb. 8, 1985, and became a member of the Old German Baptist Church.

Her last years were spent at the English Oaks Convalescent Hospital, Modesto, where she passed away on Oct. 26, 1988, at the age of 92 years, 2 months, and 6 days.

She was preceded in death by her husband, on Jan. 13, 1958; her parents; 1 brother, John, and 1 sister, Bertha, in early childhood; her brother, Frank; her twin brother, Milburn; and her sister, Ida Stratton.

She is survived by 3 nieces, Kathryn Norton, Margaret Gregory, and Jeraldine Bennett; 5 nephews, Donald Stratton, Axel Stratton, Wendell Stratton, Frank Kinyon, and John Perkins; and many others that she dearly loved in so many ways.

Services were held Sunday, Oct. 30, at 2:30 p.m., in the Salas Brothers Funeral Chapel, Modesto. Elder Roger Gish opened and Elder Aaron Miller had the message. The congregation sang *How Great Thou Art.* Bro. John D. Rumble officiated at the graveside service in the Wood Colony Cemetery.

The Family

JONES — Olive Sylvia, was born in Miami Co., near Peru, Indiana, April 1, 1908, the daughter of Louis B. and Emma E. (Bailey) Jones.

She passed away at Chase Convalescent Center, 8:20 p.m., Oct. 30, 1988, at the age of 80 years, 6 months, and 29 days.

She, with her sister, Opal, were baptized into the Old German Baptist Church early in life.

For 23 years, she owned and operated the Rest Haven Nursing Home at 8th and North Street in Logansport. She retired from the nursing home in 1967, but continued to care for some in her home from time to time.

After the death of her sister, she lived alone until recently when for reasons of health she was moved to Chase Center.

Survivors include 1 brother, Owen Jones; 1 cousin, Vern Jones, who was raised with her as a brother; 1 sister-in-law, Mrs. Ottoway (Cleyla) Jones; 3 nieces; 8 nephews; and several grandnieces and grandnephews.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 2, at Fisher Funeral Home by the home brethren. She was laid to rest at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico, Indiana.

Owen Jones

HICKS — Lester Burnett, fifth of six sons of Elder Mark and Lucy (Wells) Hicks Brubaker, was born March 6, 1893, near Salem, Virginia. As a young man of sixteen, he accepted Christ as his Savior and was baptized 79 years ago on Oct. 17, 1909, into the Old German Baptist Church, henceforth, living a sincere, dedicated life.

At the age of 19 years, he left his home state and came to Ohio, settling in the Wolf Creek district.

It was there he met and was united in marriage with Sister Martha Lucretia Miller on Feb. 7, 1915. To this union were born 2 daughters, Mrs. Bruno (Mabel) Denlinger, and Mrs. Carl (Mildred) Filbrun, making a small loving family. After sharing 55 years of joys and sorrows, Mother preceded Dad in death on March 25, 1968.

Dad lived a busy, energetic life in the farming occupation until he retired, always willing to help others, but never wanting to depend on others for his own needs.

On Feb. 6, 1971, he was united in marriage with Nellie (Leedy) Denlinger. In the fall of the same year, they moved from the farm to their present location near Troy, Ohio, where they enjoyed 17 years of happiness. In his declining health the last few years, he requested the anointing and received much comfort and strength. Dad passed away peacefully in his home on Nov. 1, 1988, at the age of 95 years, 7 months, and 26 days.

His daughter, Mabel, preceded him in death on July 4, 1987.

Left to mourn his passing are his loving companion, Nellie; 1 daughter, Mildred; a son-in-law, Bruno Denlinger; 7 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-granddaughter; 2 stepdaughters, Mrs. Leon (Mary Ellen) Brock, and Mrs. David (Jane) Dutter; 1 stepson, Dale Denlinger; 9 step-grandchildren; and 11 stepgreat-grandchildren.

Dad was an inspiration and a living example to all those about him. May we all strive to be with him in glory. We sorrow not as those without hope, but we feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

Services were conducted Friday, Nov. 4, at the Jackson Funeral Home in Pleasant Hill, and concluded at the Covington meetinghouse by the home brethren. Scriptures used were John 14:1-6, Ps. 23, and Matt. 11:28-30, and the hymns used were 411, 455, 403, 393, and 494. The body was laid to rest at the Miami Memorial Park near Covington, Ohio, to await the resurrection morn.

The Family

RIFFEY — Clyde Laverne, son of Charlie and Pearl (Boots) Riffey, was born Oct. 12, 1920, on the farm where he still resided near Sawyer, Kansas. He passed away on Nov. 1, 1988, at Pratt Regional Medical Center at the age of 68 years and 20 days.

On April 12, 1942, he was united in marriage with Catherine Marilyn Montgomery in Fairview, Missouri. They enjoyed 46 years of life together. Two sons and 2 daughters were born to this union.

Survivors include his wife of the home; children, Larry and his wife, Brenda, Rebecca and her husband, Dean Thrasher, Cathy and her husband, Lyle Dauner, Charles and his wife, Karen; his 101 year old father, Charlie F. Riffey; 13 grandchildren, Kylie and Kevin Riffey, Darren, Brian and Rebecca Thrasher, Christopher, Jennifer and Tanner Dauner, Brandon, Angela, Erin, Cherie and Charlie Riffey; several nieces; nephews; and many relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death were his mother; 2 brothers, Alva and Walter; and a sister, Mildred.

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He accepted Christ as his Saviour and was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church.

Clyde devoted a lifetime to farming and received much enjoyment from his grandchildren, working with young people in 4-H, hunting and wildlife preservation. He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the Philippines.

Clyde was a loving husband and father and will be greatly missed by his family and all who knew him.

Funeral services were held Nov. 3, at 2:00 p.m., in the Sand Creek meetinghouse by the home brethren. Hymn 483 was used in opening. Hymn 498 was sung and 1 Thess. 4:14 and Rev. 21:1-6 were read for the text with "hope" as the message. Hymn 86 was chosen for closing.

We then proceded to Ellenwood Cemetery, Sawyer, where a resting place had been prepared. After the singing of 384 and a few appropriate remarks, we took our final leave on this pleasant Nov. afternoon. Our hearts are made to rest assured in the Saving Power of Jesus Christ and we are comforted in the hope of the first and most glorious resurrection morning.

The Family

METZGER — Ralph Edward, son of Daniel and Lydia (Garber) Metzger, was born June 3, 1900, near North Manchester, Indiana. He departed this life in the early morning hours of Nov. 7, 1988. Through the blessings and the grace of Almighty God, his life span on earth was 88 years, 5 months, and 4 days.

Ralph was nurtured through his early childhood and into his teenage years on the family farm. Before he entered into his own career of farming he realized it would be difficult alone or by himself. In searching among his friends and acquaintances, he found a young woman who would be willing to walk the pathway of life with him. He and Flora Hazel Boocher were married on Oct. 25, 1919. In Aug., 1920, Flora was baptized into the Old German Baptist Church. One year later, on Aug. 4, 1921, Ralph made his commitment to God and accepted Jesus as his Lord. They were an enthusiastic and devoted couple in the Church, always available when something was to be done. Ralph and Flora were the church janitors for several years and in this work found their service to the congregation. For almost 69 years they walked hand in hand together. They enjoyed the blessings of life and shared in the sorrows that are likewise present. They enjoyed traveling and visiting when health permitted. This marriage covenant was terminated Aug. 17, 1988, when Flora was called into eternity. Ralph did not quite seem to recover from this tremendous loss.

Ralph and his family followed the farming occupation for many years, living on several different farms in the community. As the years began to take their toll on his life, they made the decision to quit farming and moved to a home near Laketon, Indiana. Ralph worked for Miller and Sons at Silver Lake. Here he gained a number of friends and the respect of those with whom he came in contact.

Finally, in Dec., 1984, they moved to Timbercrest Church of the Brethren Home, where he resided at the time of his decease. Ralph and Flora never ceased to mention the care and concern that the home and staff had for them.

He is survived by his 2 children, Arden, and Mrs. Loren (Helen) Miller; 3 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; 7 stepgrandchildren; and 17 stepgreat-grandchildren. These will all cherish the fond memories of a loving and caring Dad and Grandpa.

Preceding him in death were his parents; 1 sister, Mary; and 1 brother, Glen.

Just a few hours preceding his being called into eternity, he called for the anointing service. This being accomplished by the Brethren, we leave him in the care of Almighty God. We believe that a life that has been spent in His service will be rewarded with Life Eternal.

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 10:00 a.m., in the North Manchester meetinghouse. Bro. Orvel Gish and Bro. Donald Brubaker held this service for family, friends, and Brethren. Thoughts were gleaned and gathered from 2 Tim. 4:6-8. Hymns used were 443, 452, and 494. After the reading of Ps. 23 and prayer, his body was laid to rest beside his dear companion in the church cemetery. There we leave them to await the resurrection morn.

Donald Brubaker

DRAKE — Robert L., Sr., was born July 10, 1903, in Miami Co., Ohio, the son of Theodore Riddle and Martha (Cassel) Drake. He passed away suddenly on Wednesday, Nov. 9, 1988, making his sojourn in life 85 years, 3 months, and 29 days.

In 1924, he was united in marriage with Mary Margaret Thompson. To this union were born 2 sons. His wife passed away on Jan. 3, 1936.

On May 1, 1937, he was united in marriage with Elsie Flora. This union was blessed with over 51 years together.

He was employed by Brown Bridge Mills in Troy, Ohio, retiring in 1967.

He leaves to mourn his departure his wife, Elsie; 2 sons, Robert L. Drake, Jr., and Douglas E. Drake; 2 brothers, Ralph Drake, and Miles Drake; 5 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; 3 stepgreat-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Services were held in the Jackson Funeral Home by the undersigned on Nov. 12, at 10:30 a.m. Burial was in the Highland Cemetery, Covington, Ohio.

Donald H. Burns

BRUBAKER — Mabel L., daughter of Charles and Della (Bell) Leinbach, was born April 22, 1907, near Farmersville, Montgomery Co., Ohio. She passed away in her home Nov. 11, 1988, at the age of 81 years, 6 months, and 20 days.

She was united in marriage with Wilmer Brubaker July 26, 1925, and lived on Quaker Trace Road on a farm until his passing Oct. 21, 1967.

In the summer of 1930, she, with her husband, was baptized into the fellowship of the Old German Baptist Church. Her faith was evident by her simple lifestyle and patience in affliction. On Sept. 28, 1988, she called for the anointing and was fully submitted to the will of the Lord.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Martha Starline, and Jean Brickerd; 5 grandsons; 6 stepgrandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; 1 brother, John Leinbach; and 1 sister-in-law, Dora Frantz.

One daughter, Vera Doane, preceded her in death Oct. 21, 1986.

She will be missed, but we sorrow not as those who have no hope.

Services were conducted Nov. 14, at 10:00 a.m., in the Lindloff-Zimmerman Funeral Home, West Alexandria, Ohio, by the home brethren. John 14:2, "Preparation — from seed to ingathering" was the text. Hymns 483 and 403 were sung. Burial was in the Fairview Cemetery, Gratis, Ohio, to await the gathering in of the just.

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ROTH — Dale Leon, youngest son of eight children of Klor Henry and Sylvia Bird (Conrad) Roth, was born in Darke Co., Ohio, on Sept. 10, 1929. He departed this life from heart failure at 1:52 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 9, 1988, at the Wayne Hospital, Greenville, Ohio, at the age of 59 years and 2 months. Dale suffered from a heart condition for the past 6 years. Following his open heart bypass surgery one year ago, he had been disabled with many physical limitations. With loving hands of the Doctors and Nurses, the prayers of the ministers, family, and friends, God saw a need to call him home from his suffering. He was anointed just prior to his passing.

He grew up on a farm and was a farmer for most of his life. He attended Jackson school. He was in I-W Service from 1953-1955. He also devoted several years of work to the nursing profession.

He was baptized on Nov. 19, 1950, in the Old German Baptist Church and remained in fellowship for several years.

On June 22, 1952, he was united in Holy Matrimony with Norma Jean Wray. They were married for over 36 years. The marriage was blessed with 3 wonderful children.

Dale put his all and much hard work in our new home that was built 11 years ago. He spent many hours helping and working with the carpenters. It was a dream of a lifetime unfolded. He enjoyed fishing, followed baseball games and loved gospel music. He also enjoyed gardening, landscaping, cooking, and was an all around handy man. He was known as Uncle Dale to many. He played a very special part in all of our lives. He was a kind and caring person, whom we will all miss greatly.

Surviving are his wife; his oldest son, Michael, daughter, Alexa, and youngest son, Mitchell, and his wife, Julie; 3 brothers and 4

sisters, Howard, Mary Ethel Wigger, Donald, Berdena Miller, Marjorie Mallonee, William, and Phyllis Coning; many nieces; nephews; and friends.

Brief services were conducted Nov. 11, at the Oliver Funeral Home, Ansonia, Ohio, by Pastor Rick Cryder using Luke 16:19-31, followed by the reading of a poem entitled, *Beautiful Things*. Services were continued at the Shady Grove meetinghouse by Howard Montgomery assisted by Keith Skiles. Scriptures used were John 14:1 and Ps. 90, along with the reading of two poems: *Sunrise*, and *Crossing the Bar*. Hymns used were 455, 506, and 484. Burial was in Sunset Memory Gardens with Pastor Cryder officiating. Hymn 451 was sung while the grave was being filled.

The Family

"Hope is like the sun, which, as we journey toward it, casts the shadow of our burden behind us."

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"The beauty of a home is harmony. The security of a home is loyalty. The joy of a home is love. The rule of a home is service. The comfort of a home is in contented spirits. The maker of a home — a real home, is God Himself, the same who made the stars and built the world."

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